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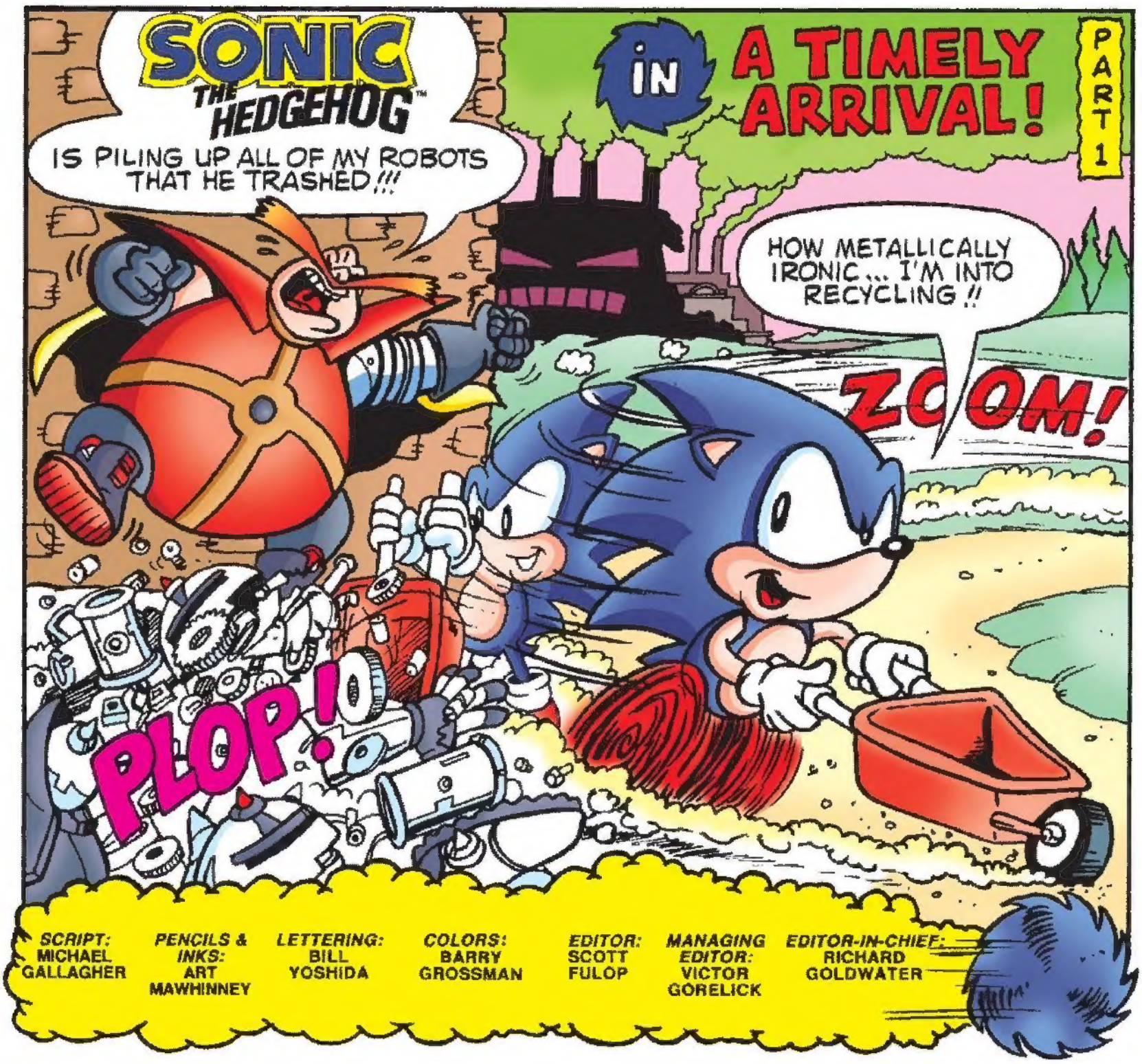
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IN
A TIMELY ARRIVAL!
PART 1
IS PILING UP ALL OF MY ROBOTS THAT HE TRASHED!!!
HOW METALLICALLY IRONIC... I'M INTO RECYCLING!!
ZOOM!
PLOP!
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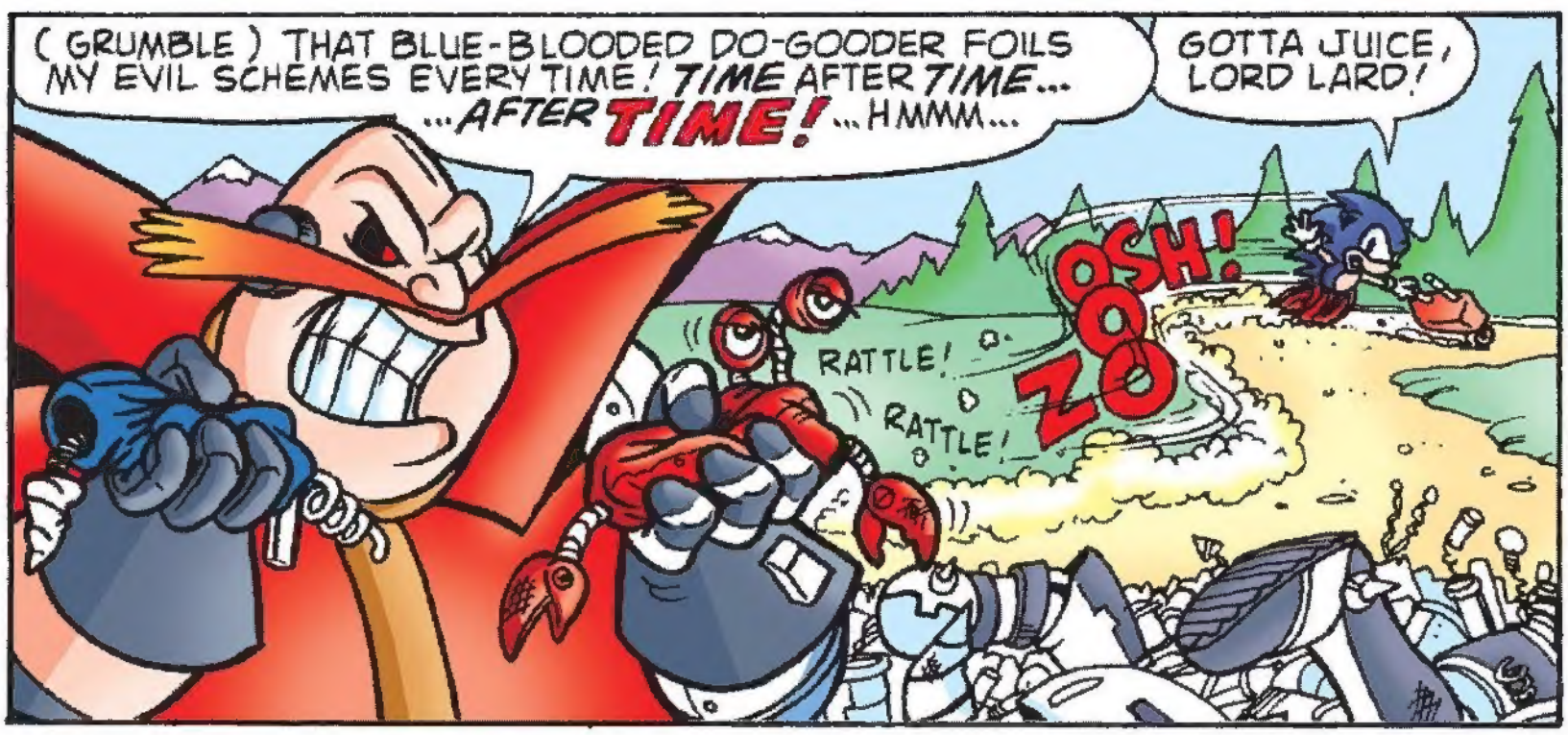
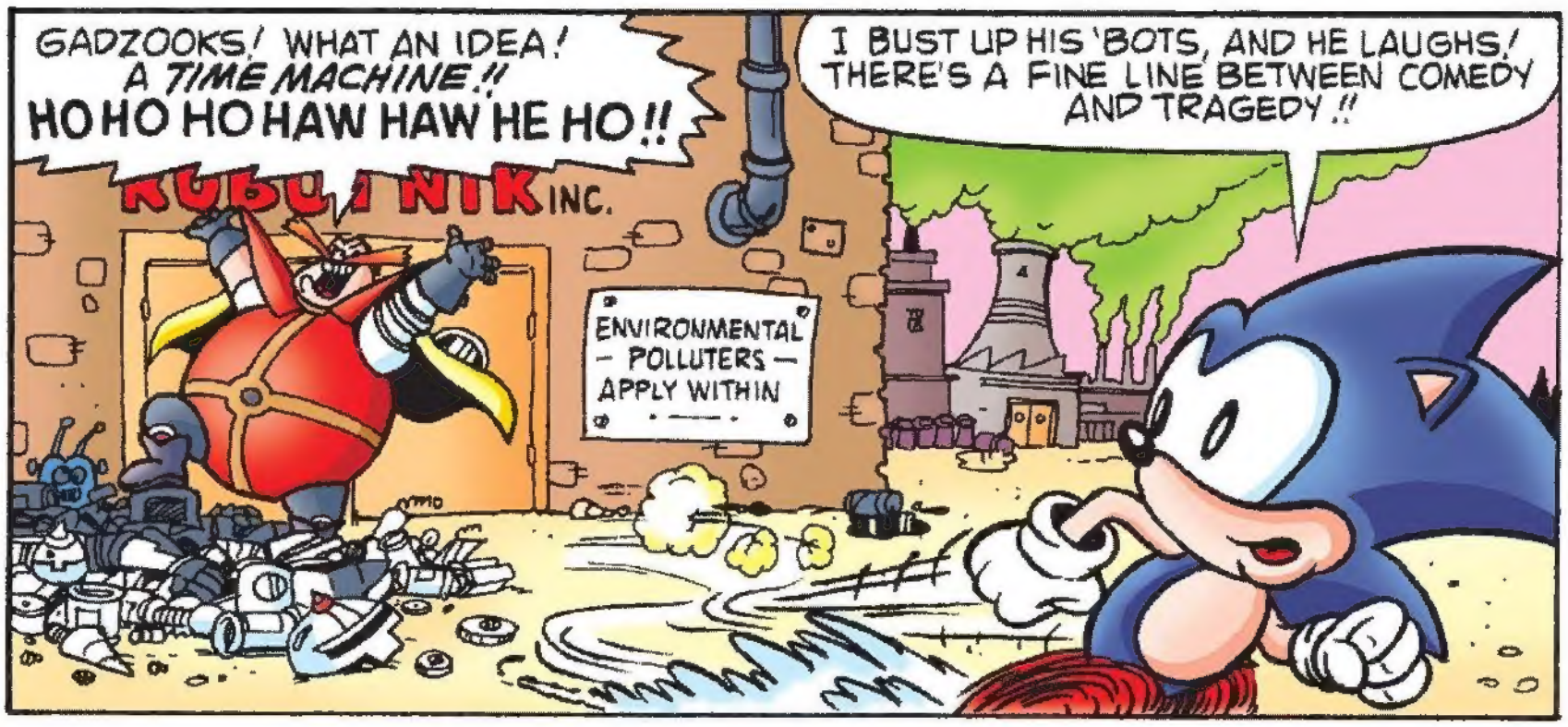
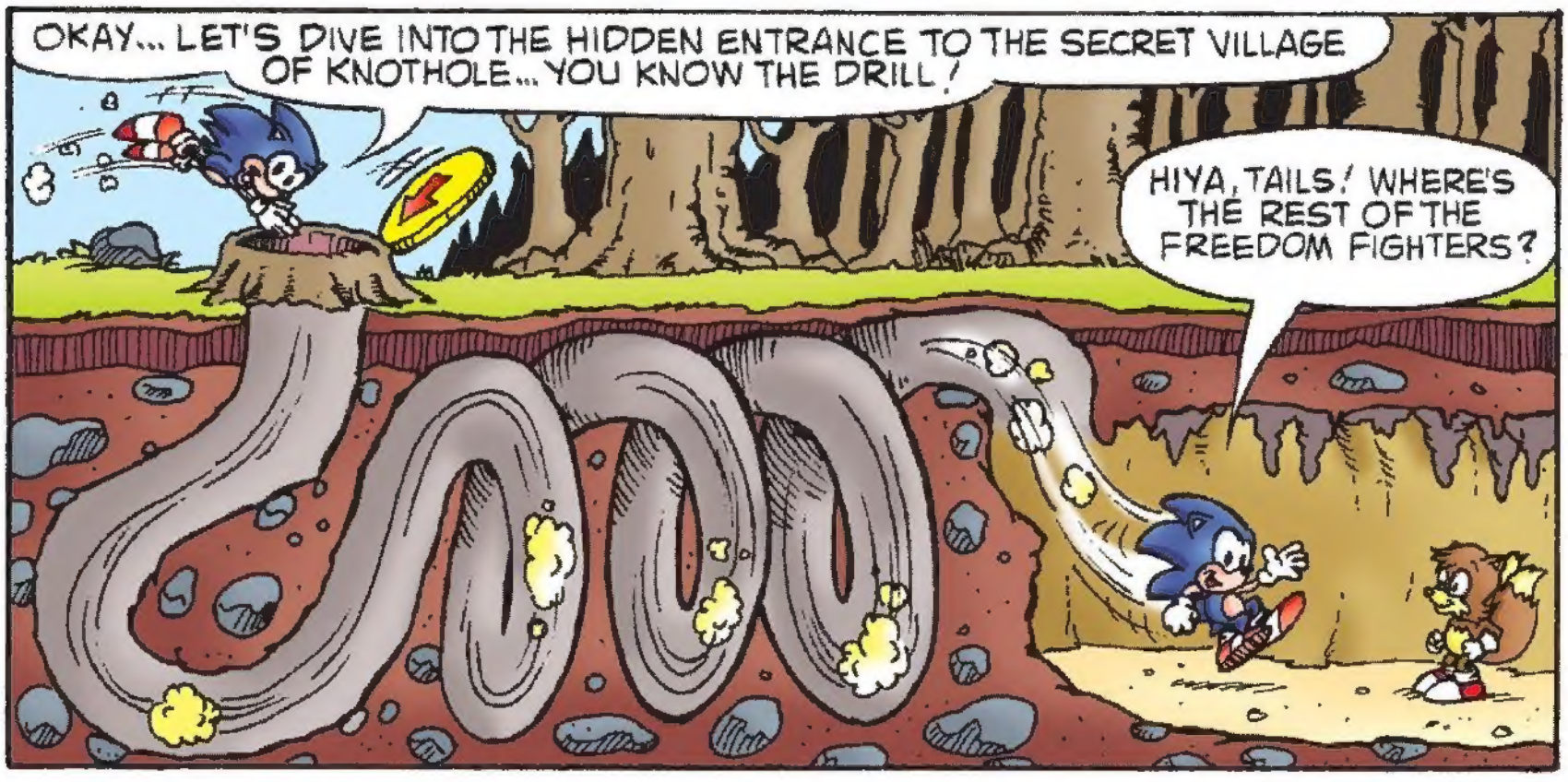
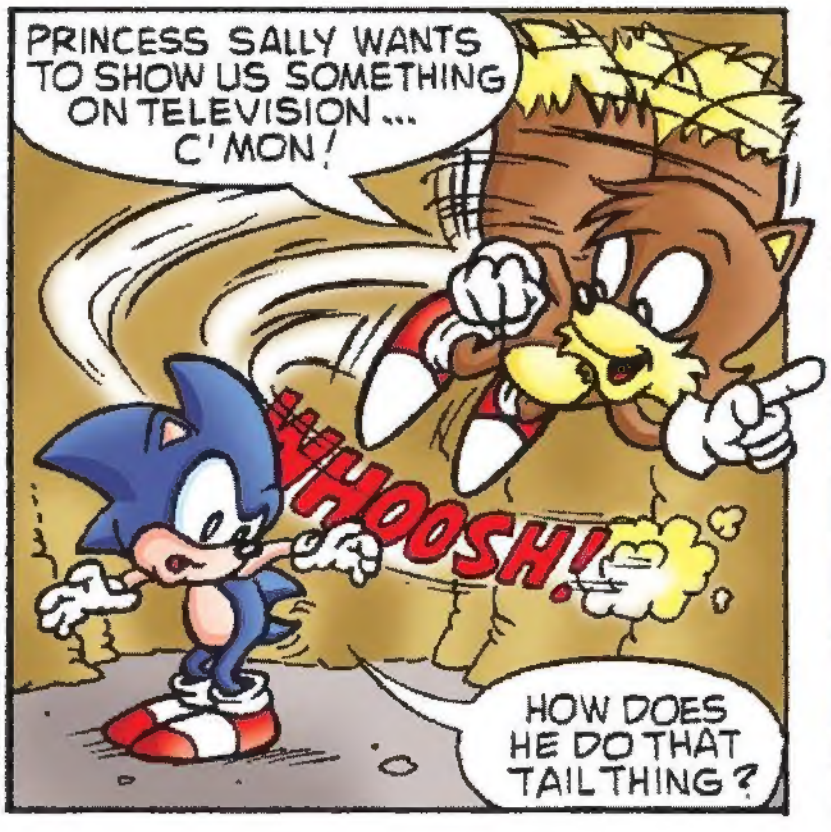
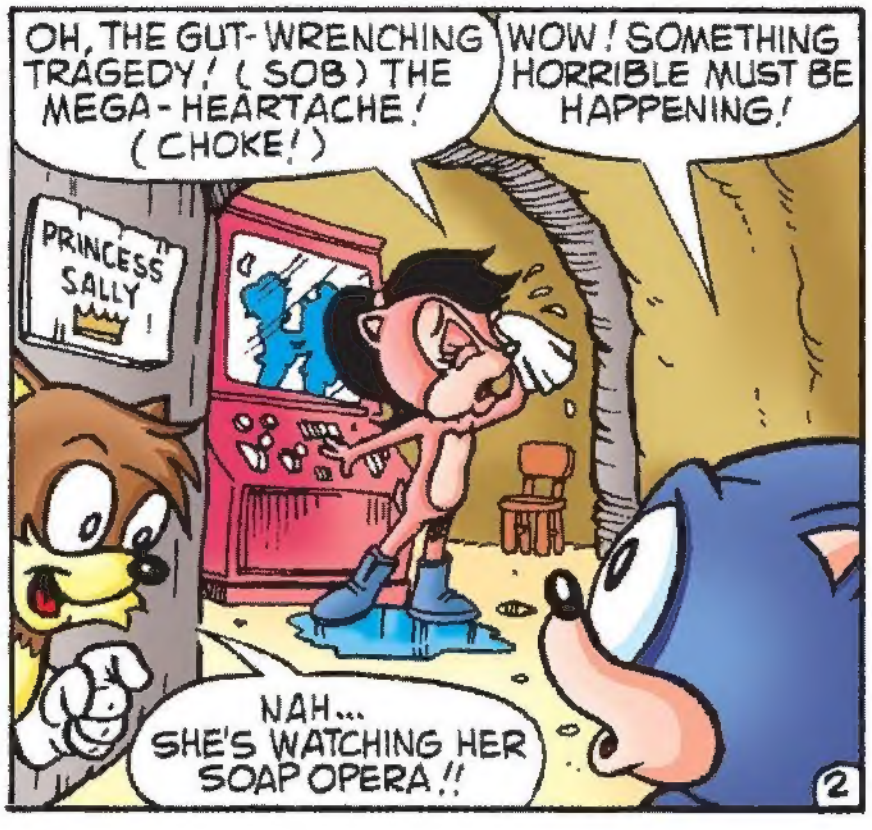
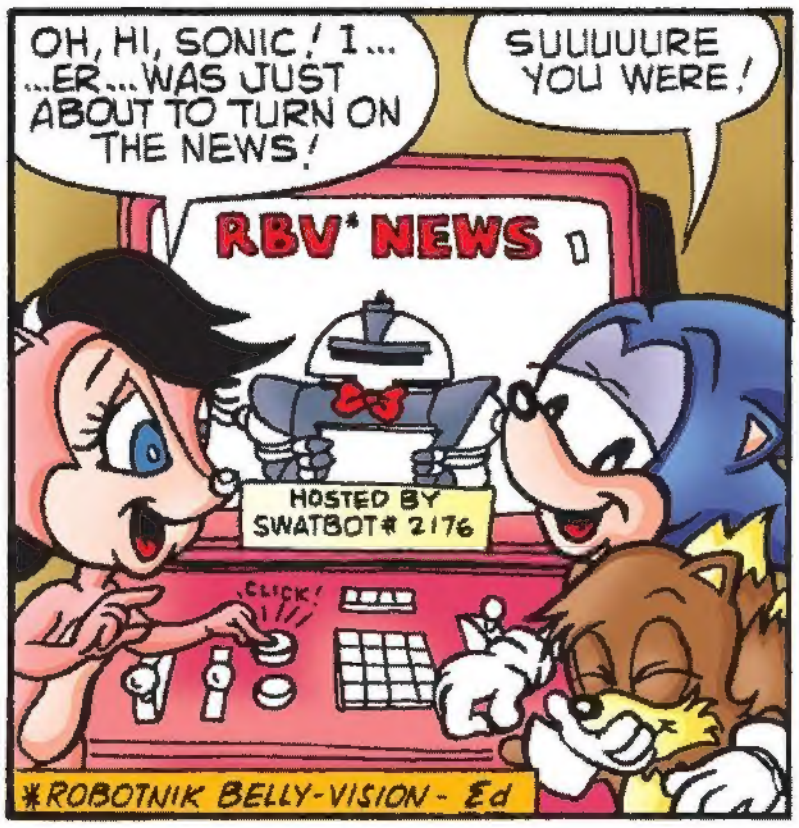

(GRUMBLE) THAT BLUE-BLOODED DO-GOODER FOILS MY EVIL SCHEMES EVERY TIME! TIME AFTER TIME... ...AFTER TIME! ...HMMM...
GOTTA JUICE, LORD LARD!
RATTLE!
RATTLE!
ZOOSH!

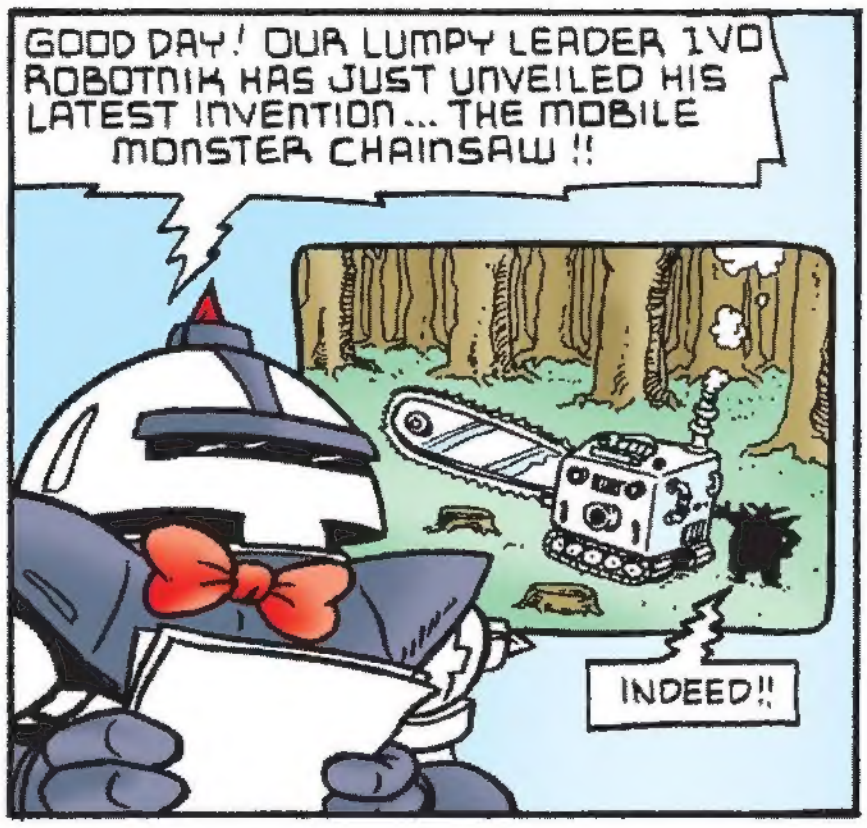

GADZOOKS! WHAT AN IDEA! A TIME MACHINE!! HO HO HO HAW HAW HE HO!!
ROBOTNIK INC.
ENVIRONMENTAL - POLLUTERS - APPLY WITHIN
I BUST UP HIS 'BOTS, AND HE LAUGHS! THERE'S A FINE LINE BETWEEN COMEDY AND TRAGEDY!!

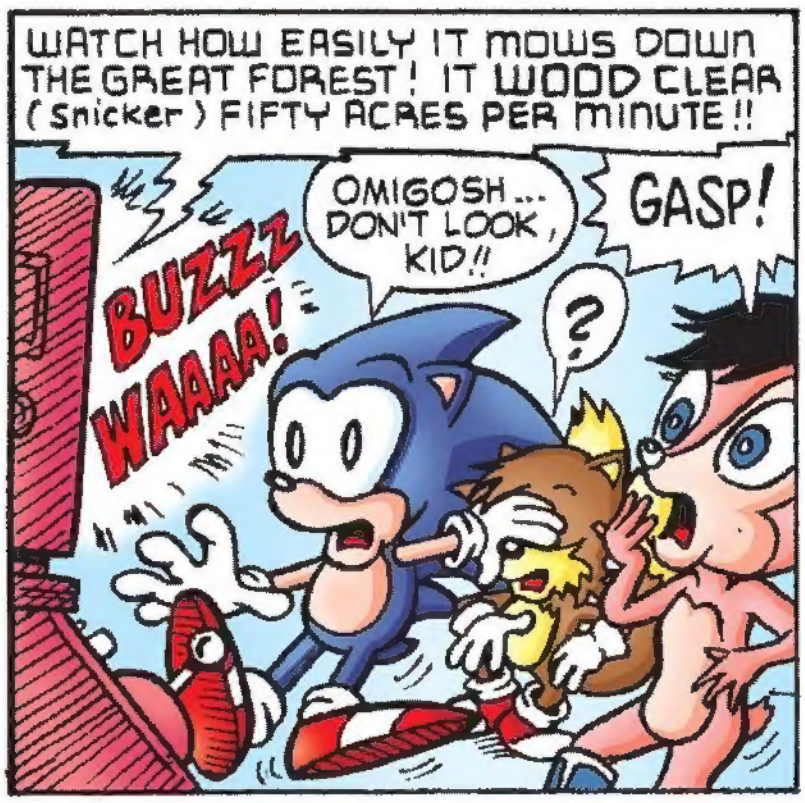

OKAY... LET'S DIVE INTO THE HIDDEN ENTRANCE TO THE SECRET VILLAGE OF KNOTHOLE... YOU KNOW THE DRILL!
HIYA, TAILS! WHERE'S THE REST OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS?


PRINCESS SALLY WANTS TO SHOW US SOMETHING ON TELEVISION... C'MON!
WHOOSH!
HOW DOES HE DO THAT TAIL THING?


OH, THE GUT-WRENCHING TRAGEDY! (SOB) THE MEGA-HEARTACHE! (CHOKE!)
WOW! SOMETHING HORRIBLE MUST BE HAPPENING!
PRINCESS SALLY
NAH... SHE'S WATCHING HER SOAP OPERA!!


OH, HI, SONIC! I... ...ER...WAS JUST ABOUT TO TURN ON THE NEWS!
SUUUUURE YOU WERE!
RBV* NEWS
HOSTED BY SWATBOT# 2176
CLICK!
*ROBOTNIK BELLY-VISION - Ed


GOOD DAY! OUR LUMPY LEADER IVO ROBOTNIK HAS JUST UNVEILED HIS LATEST INVENTION... THE MOBILE MONSTER CHAINSAW!!
INDEED!!


WATCH HOW EASILY IT MOWS DOWN THE GREAT FOREST! IT WOOD CLEAR (snicker) FIFTY ACRES PER MINUTE!!
OMIGOSH... DON'T LOOK, KID!!
GASP!
BUZZZ WAAAAA!
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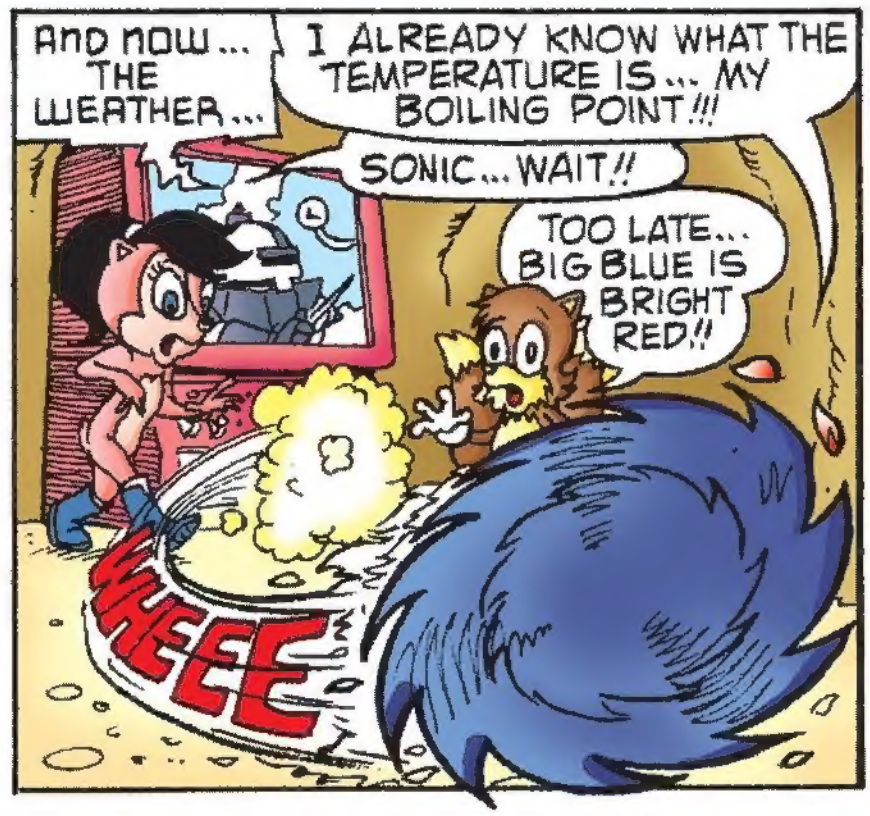
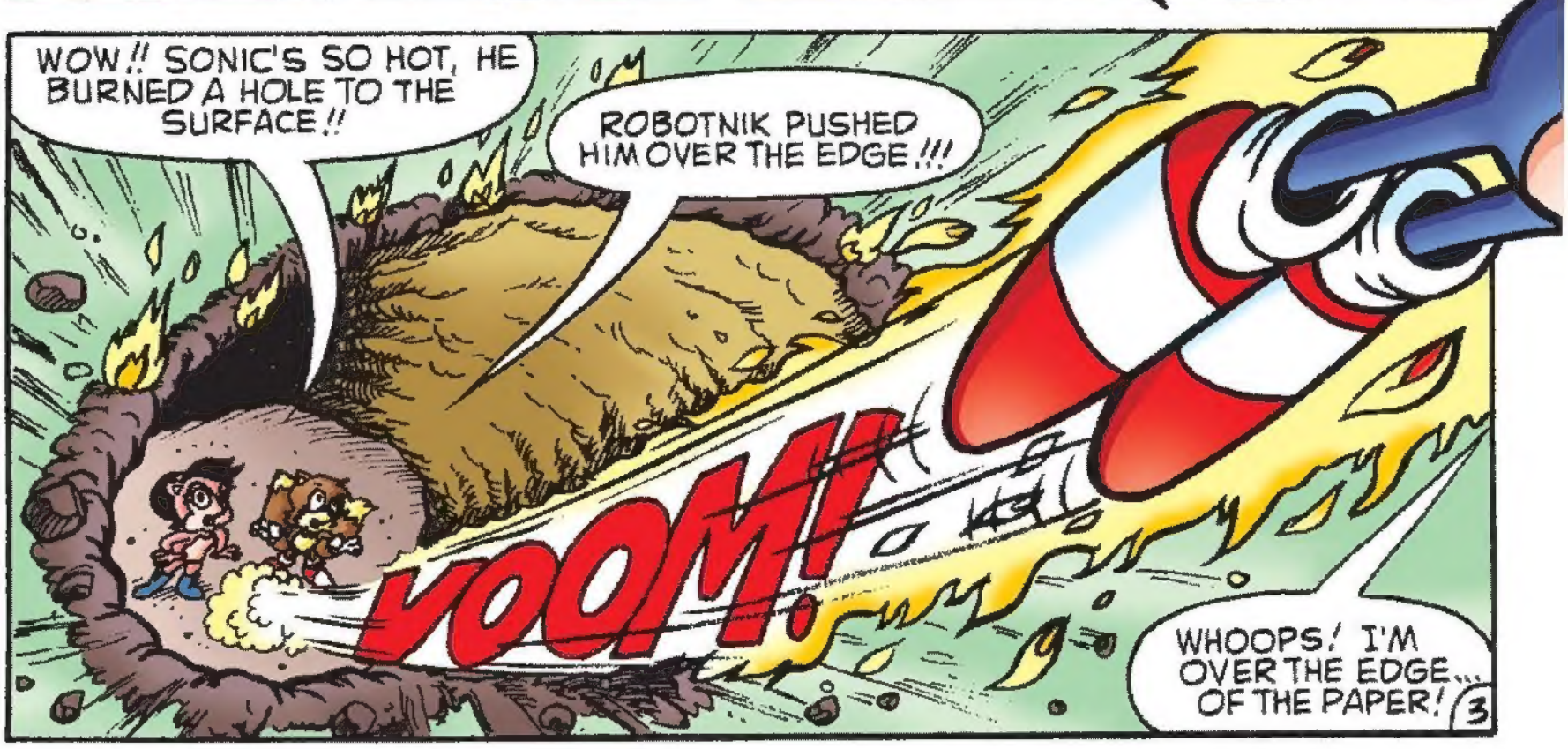
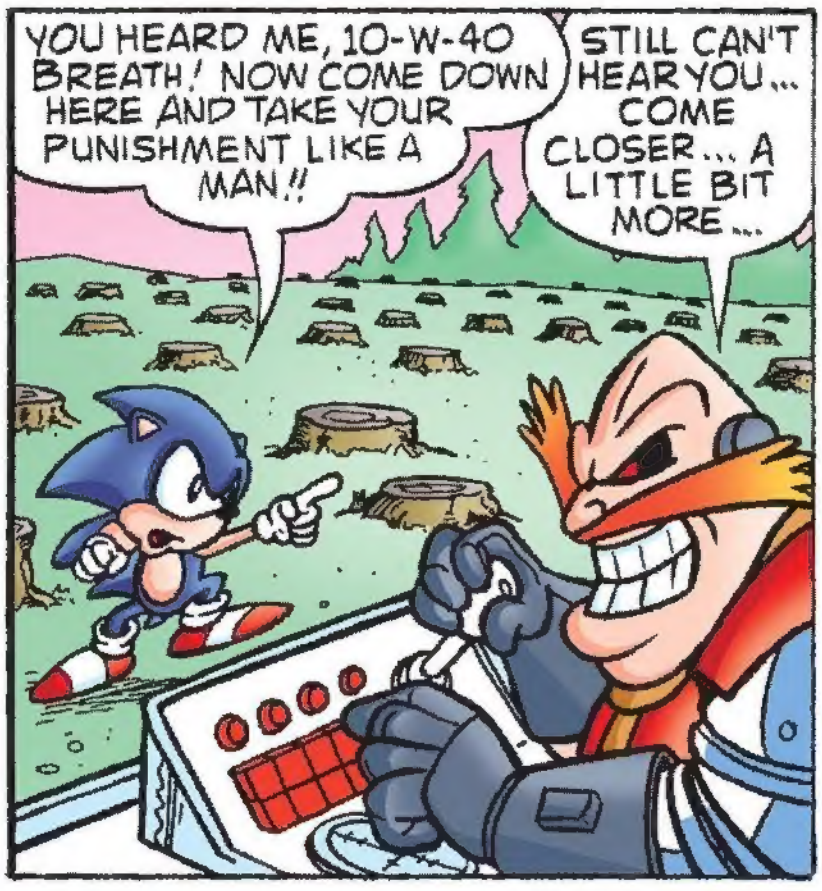
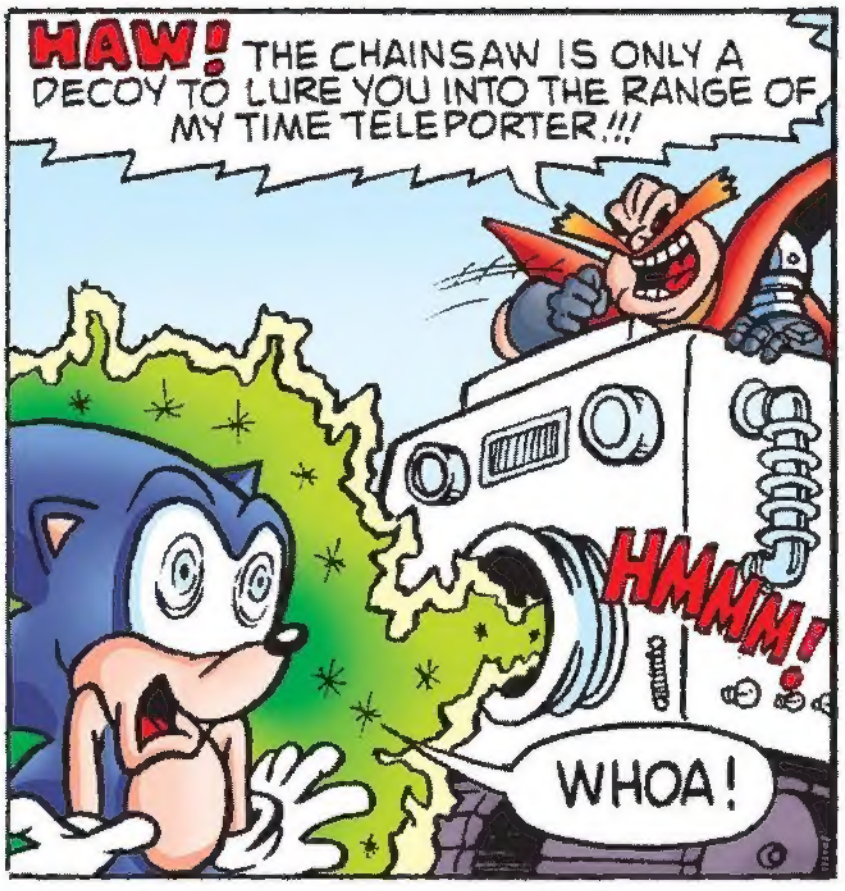
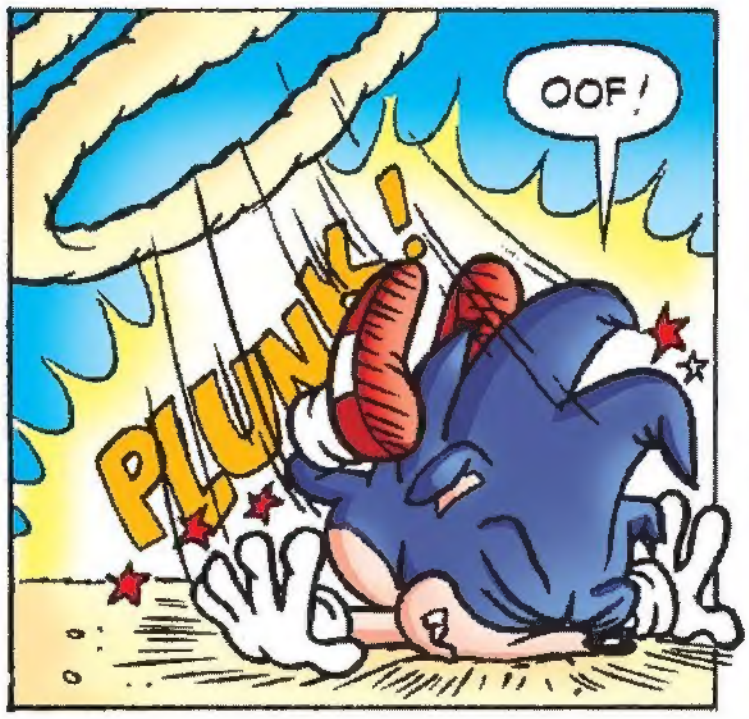

AND NOW... THE WEATHER...
I ALREADY KNOW WHAT THE TEMPERATURE IS... MY BOILING POINT!!!
SONIC...WAIT!!
TOO LATE... BIG BLUE IS BRIGHT RED!!
WHEEE

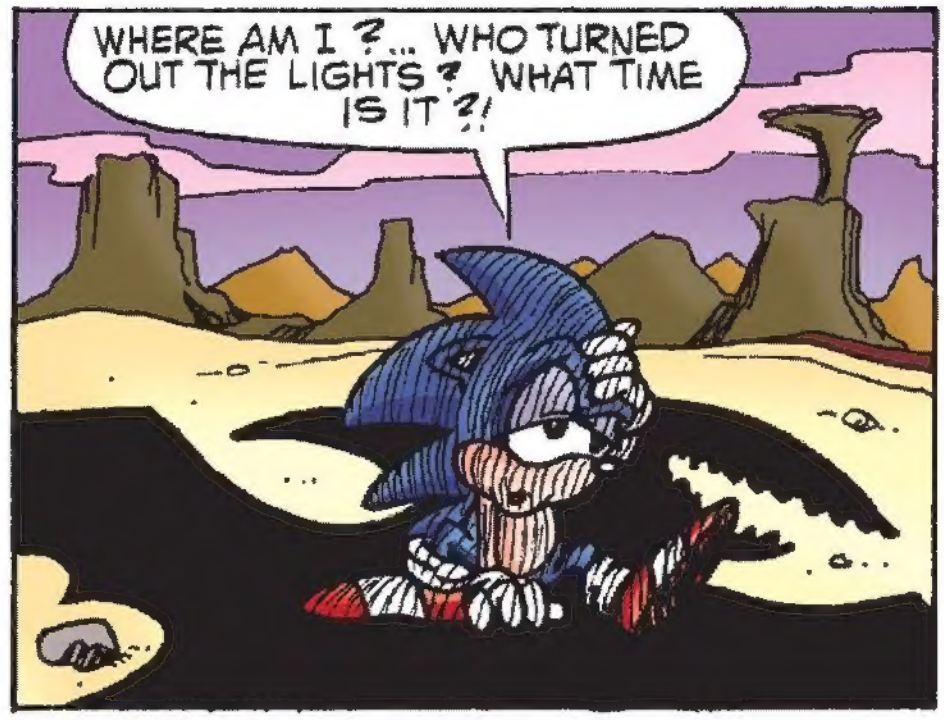

WOW!! SONIC'S SO HOT, HE BURNED A HOLE TO THE SURFACE!!
ROBOTNIK PUSHED HIM OVER THE EDGE!!!
VOOM!!
WHOOPS! I'M OVER THE EDGE... OF THE PAPER!

SECONDS LATER...
THAT'S THE LAST TREE YOU CUT, BLUBBERBUTT!
WHAT?
BWAAAA!!
BWANG!

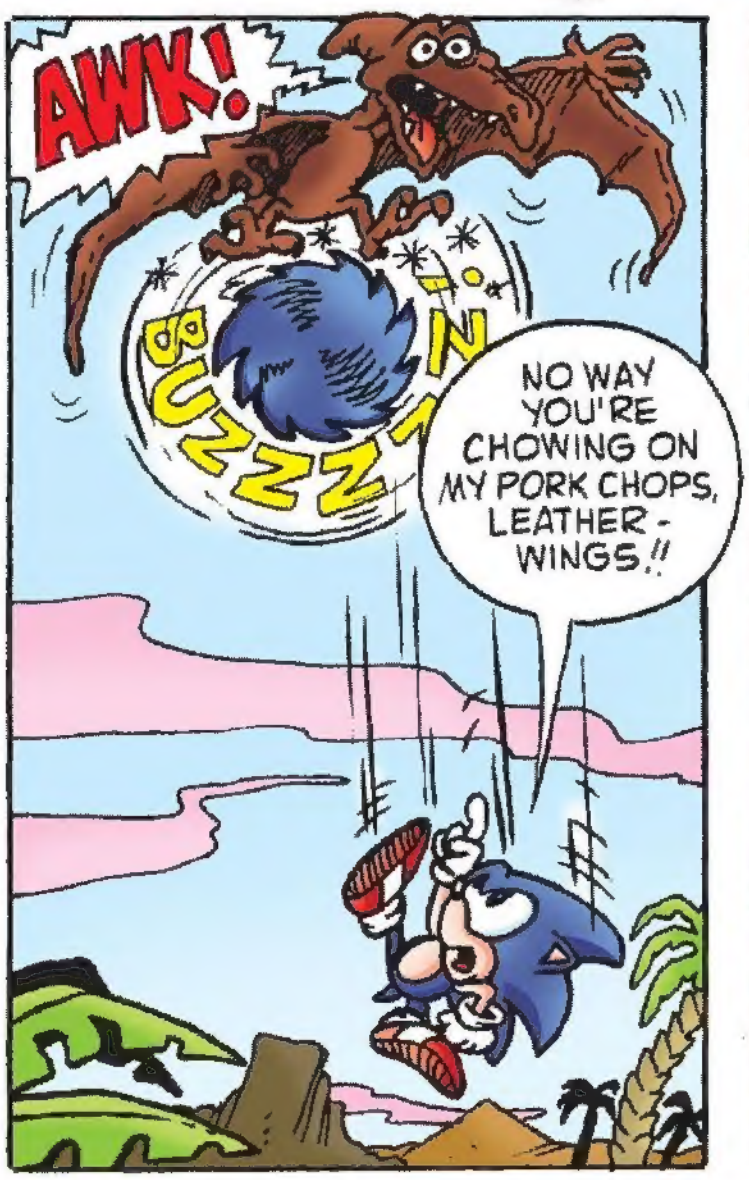





OOF!
PLUNK!


WHERE AM I ?... WHO TURNED OUT THE LIGHTS ? WHAT TIME IS IT ?!

TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS: (1) YOU'RE IN PREHISTORIC MOBIUS! (2) I TURNED OUT THE LIGHTS, AND (3) IT'S DINNERTIME!
HOKEY SMOKES! A PTERODON!! *
* PTERODACTYL – Editor
WHATEVER!


AWK!
BUZZZZ
NO WAY YOU'RE CHOWING ON MY PORK CHOPS, LEATHER-WINGS!!

UH-OH! THIS BIG LIZARD THINKS I'M A REMEDY FOR HIS "SAUR" THROAT!
NICE OF YOU TO DROP IN!!!
END PART I

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™ in

A TIMELY ARRIVAL! PART II

...IS NOT ABOUT TO GO DOWN IN HISTORY AS A *DINO-SNACK!!*

GHURGH!

ZING!

CRACK!

SNAP!

POP!

TWANG

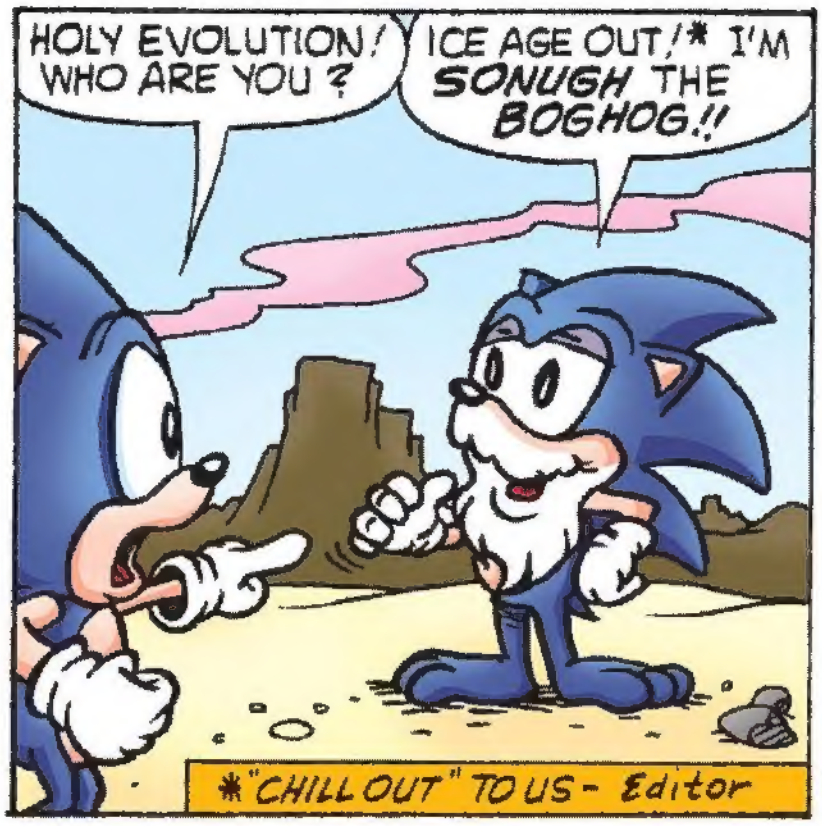
CRACKLE!

I HOPE YOUR MEDICAL INSURANCE COVERS DENTAL!

(SIGH) AND THEY WONDER WHY WE BECAME EXTINCT!...

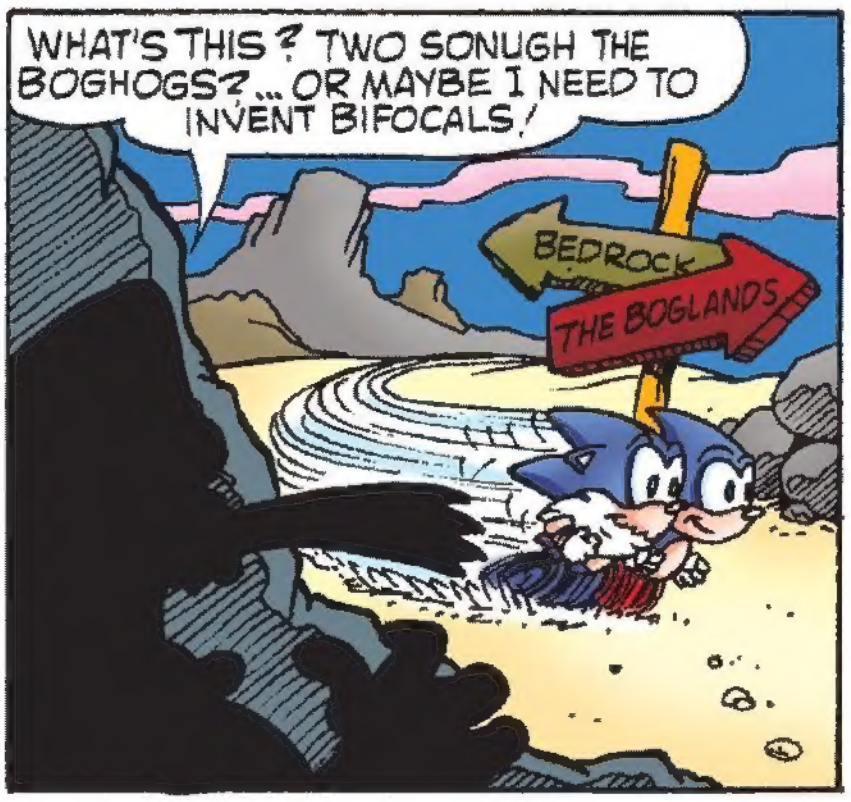
NICE WORK, *CUZ!*

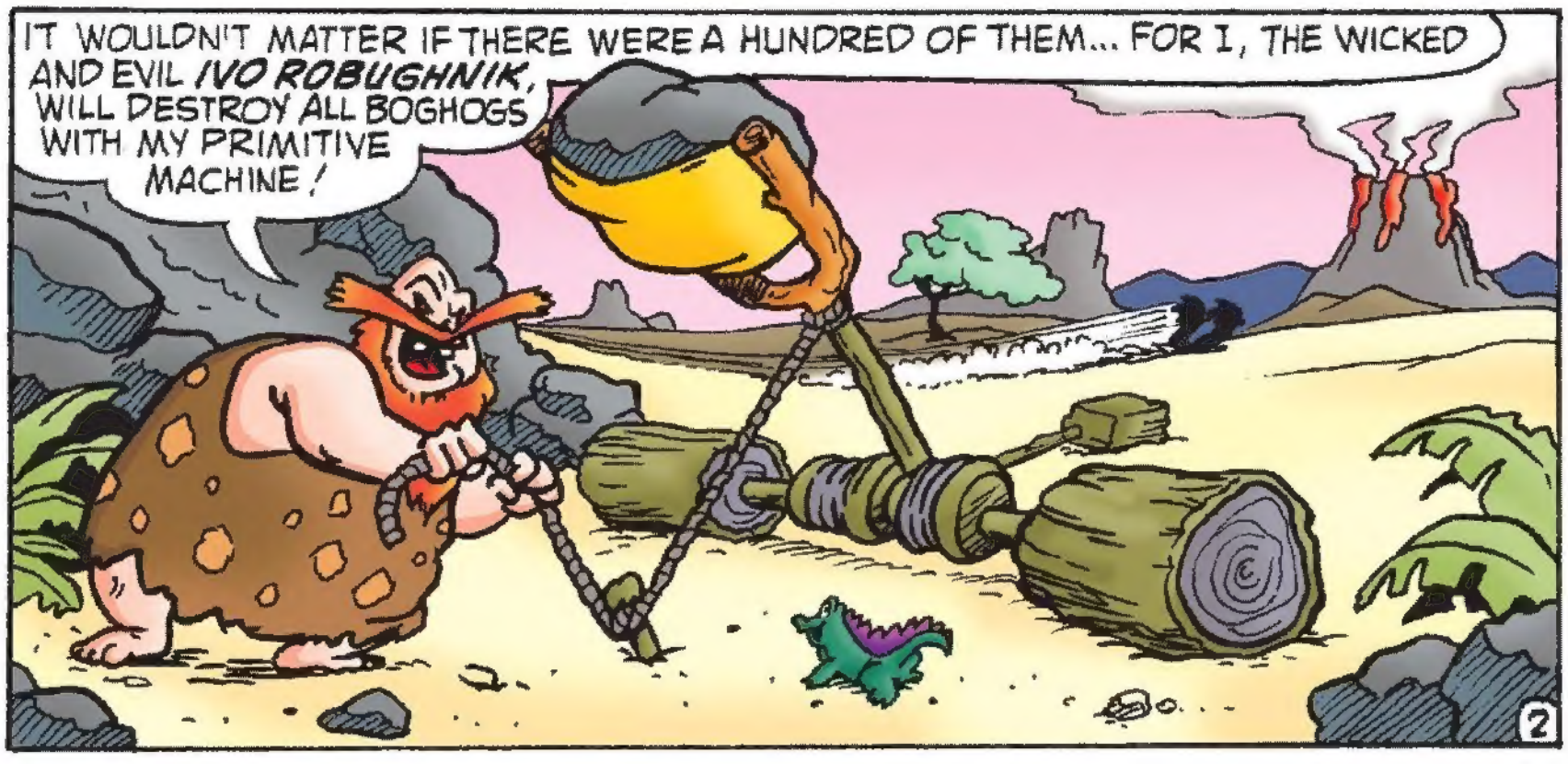
GASP!


HOLY EVOLUTION! WHO ARE YOU?
ICE AGE OUT!* I'M SONUGH THE BOGHOG!!
*"CHILL OUT" TO US - Editor

BOGHOG?? DON'T YOU MEAN "HEDGE HOG"?!
NEVER HEARD OF A "HEDGE," KIDDO! THERE AIN'T NOTHIN' AROUND HERE EXCEPT VOLCANOES AND BOGS!

C'MON!... I'LL SHOW YOU... IF YOU CAN KEEP UP!
WOW! HE ACCELERATED AS FAST AS I DID... RELATIVELY SPEAKING!
ZOOM


WHAT'S THIS? TWO SONUGH THE BOGHOGS?... OR MAYBE I NEED TO INVENT BIFOCALS!
BEDROCK
THE BOGLANDS


IT WOULDN'T MATTER IF THERE WERE A HUNDRED OF THEM... FOR I, THE WICKED AND EVIL IVO ROBUGHNIK, WILL DESTROY ALL BOGHOGS WITH MY PRIMITIVE MACHINE!

STAND BY TO FIRE ON MY COMMAND!!
YOUR SPOKEN WORD IS LAW, OH IMPERIAL WIDE LOAD!!

(GROAN) THIS WILL BE MORE FUN WHEN I GET TO INVENT ROBOT SLAVES IN 40,000 CENTURIES!!

!!!
NO KIDDING? THERE'S A POWER-CRAZED CAVEMAN NAMED ROBUGHNIK?! AMAZING!!
TWANG!
YOU'LL FIND MANY THINGS FASCINATING HERE, COUSIN!

HMMM...YOU MEAN LIKE HOW EARLY IT GETS DARK?
THAT'S NOT NIGHT... IT'S... ...UH-OH!

THUD!

TRA-LA-LA-DEE DOO DYEEE... ♪ ...THE BOGHOGS HAVE GONE GOODBYE!
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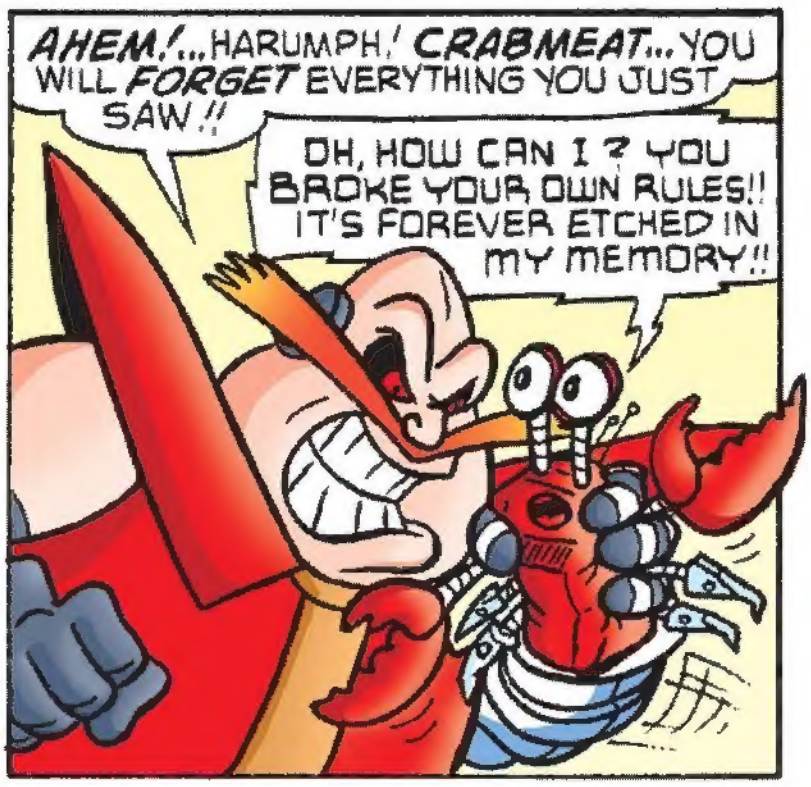
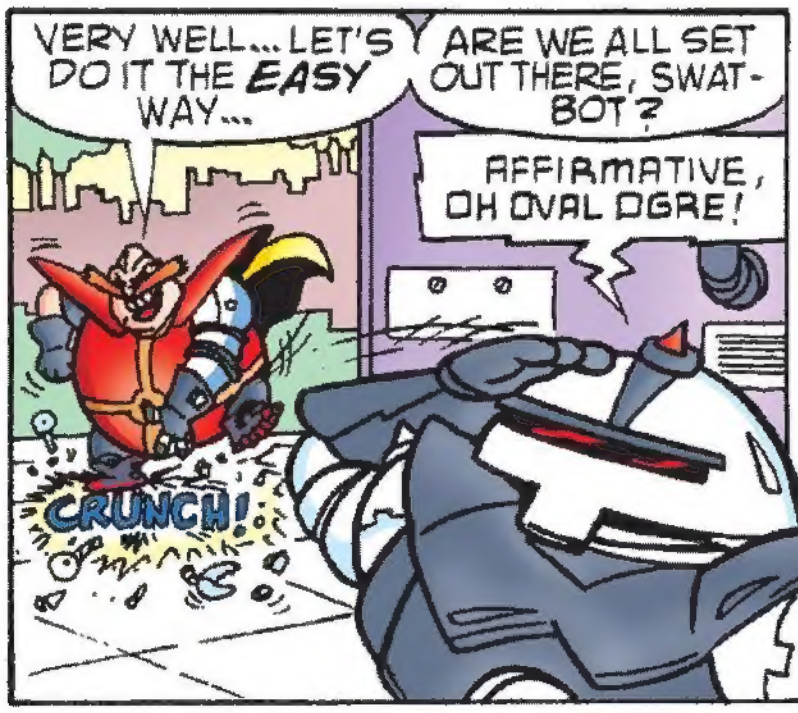
AT THAT MOMENT, 400,000 YEARS LATER...
TRA-LA-DEE DO DEE DA... SONIC IS GONE! HOORAY! GOODBYE!!
GASP!
ROBOTNIK! SINGING! DANCING!! SMILING!!!


AHEM!... HARUMPH! CRABMEAT... YOU WILL FORGET EVERYTHING YOU JUST SAW!!
OH, HOW CAN I? YOU BROKE YOUR OWN RULES!! IT'S FOREVER ETCHED IN MY MEMORY!!


VERY WELL... LET'S DO IT THE EASY WAY...
ARE WE ALL SET OUT THERE, SWAT-BOT?
AFFIRMATIVE, OH OVAL OGRE!
CRUNCH!

I SHALL CUT THE RIBBON AND OPEN THE DISPLAY OF MY TIME MACHINE! WHERE'S THE CROWD?
THEY WENT FOR A KEG OF 10-W-40... HEY!! DID YOU HEAR SOMETHING?
SEE THE INVENTION THAT SQUASHED
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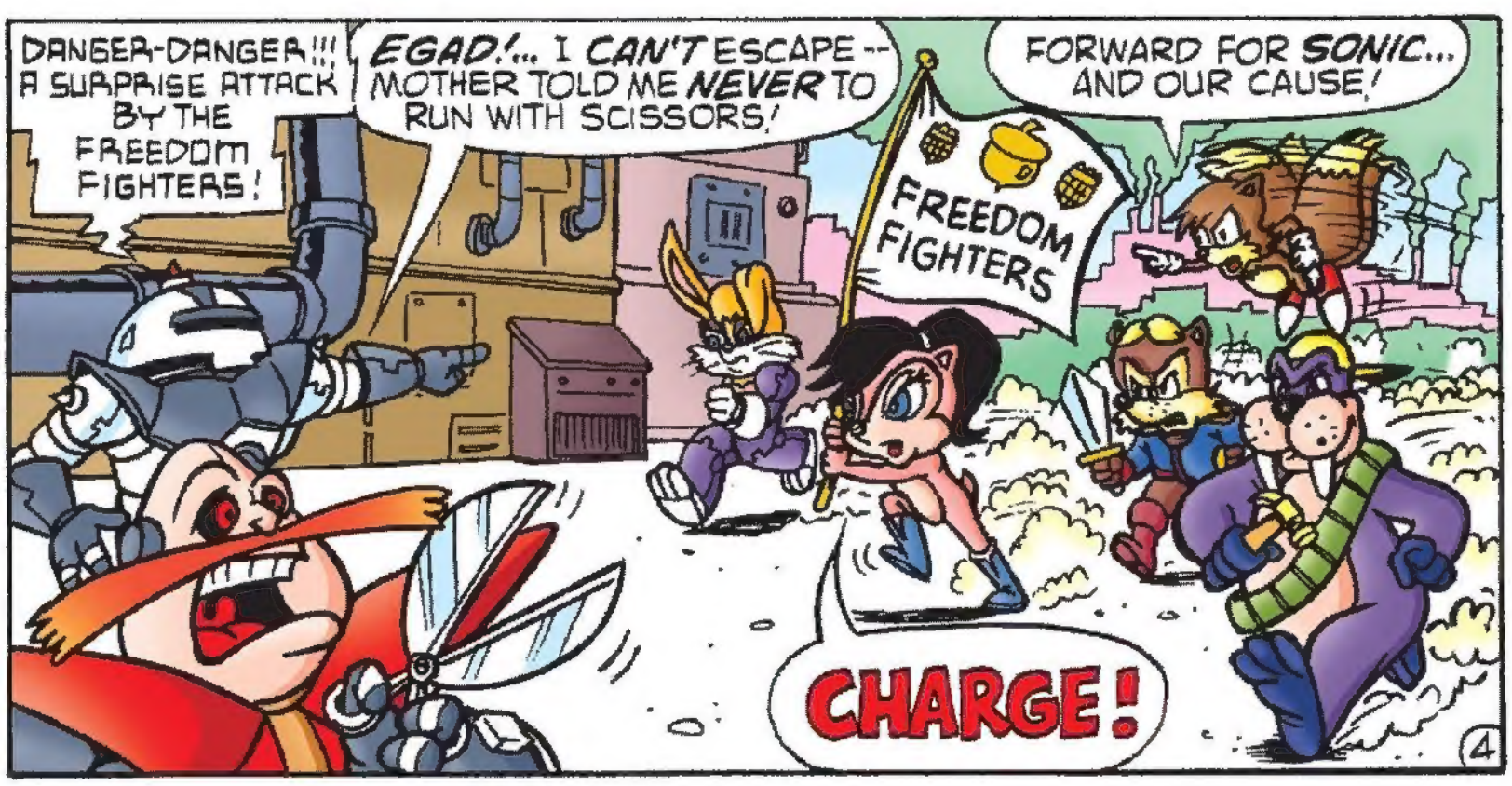
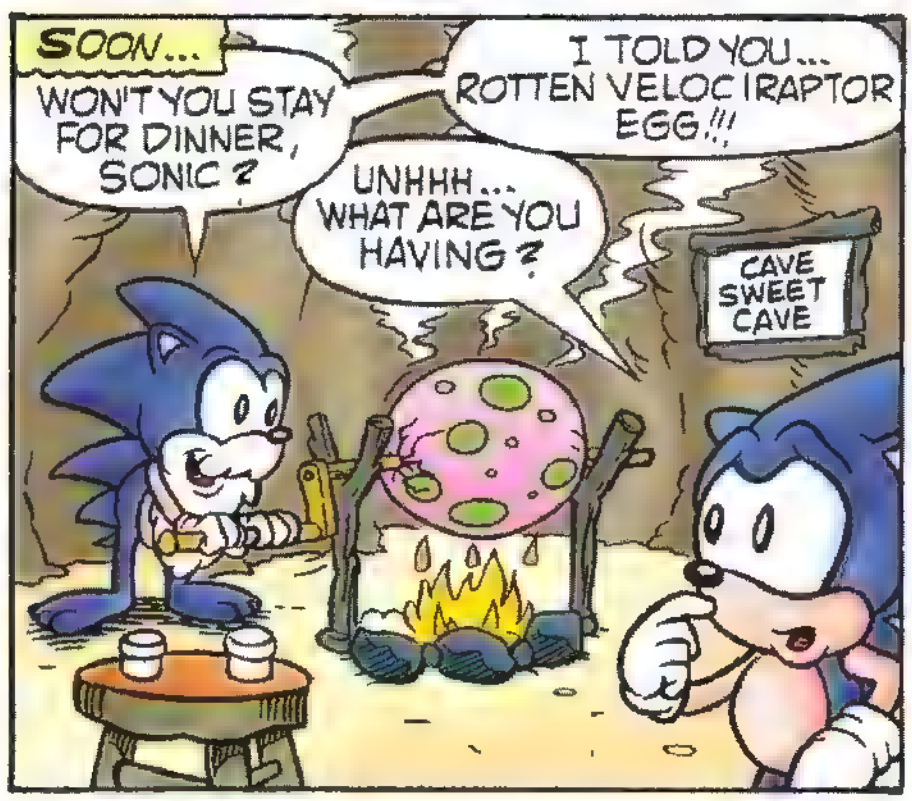
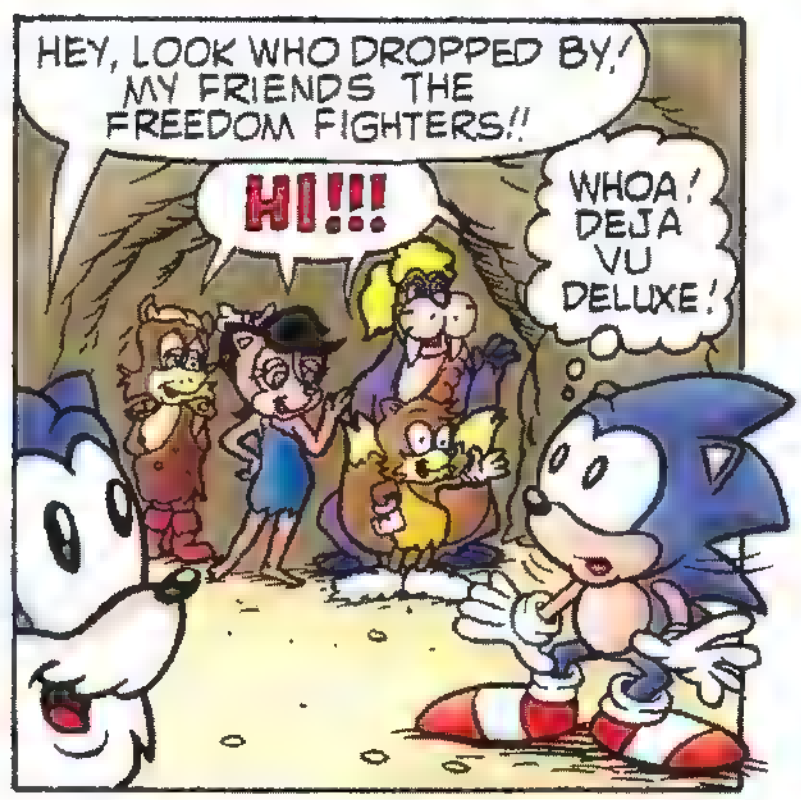

DANGER-DANGER!!! A SURPRISE ATTACK BY THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS!
EGAD!... I CAN'T ESCAPE -- MOTHER TOLD ME NEVER TO RUN WITH SCISSORS!
FREEDOM FIGHTERS
FORWARD FOR SONIC... AND OUR CAUSE!
CHARGE!

MEANWHILE...
VERY CLEVER, SONUGH! BURROWING DOWN BEFORE THE ROCK HIT US!
THESE ARE THE UNDERGROUND TUNNELS WHERE WE LIVE!

FOLLOW ME... LAST ONE THERE IS A ROTTEN VELOCIRAPTOR EGG!!
YUK!

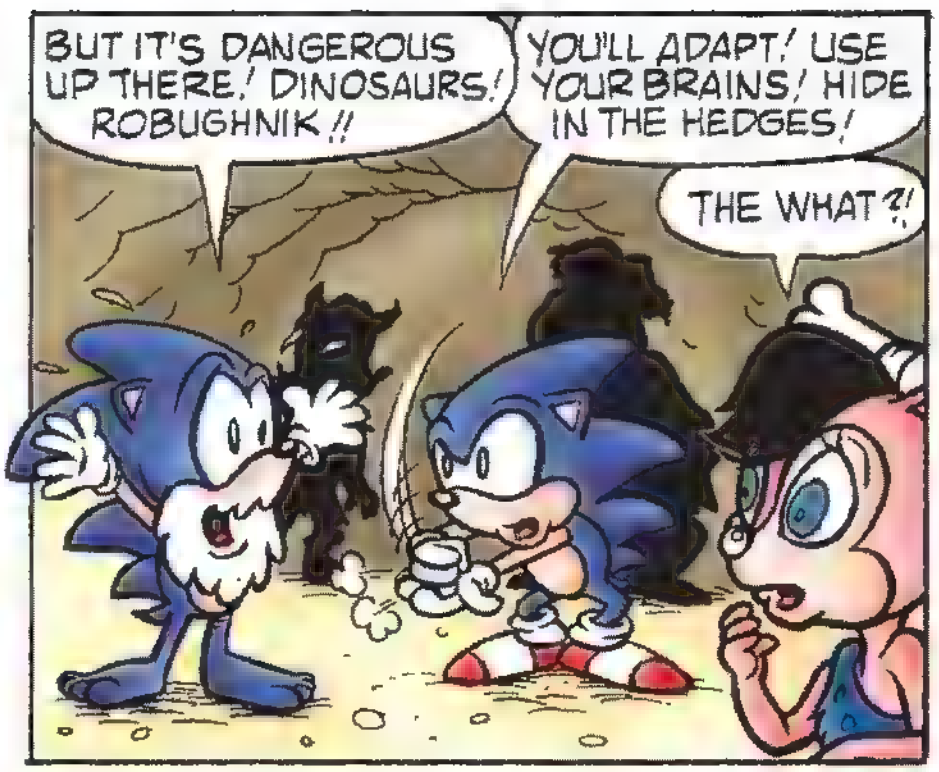

SOON...
WON'T YOU STAY FOR DINNER, SONIC?
I TOLD YOU... ROTTEN VELOCIRAPTOR EGG!!!
UNHHH... WHAT ARE YOU HAVING?
CAVE SWEET CAVE


HEY, LOOK WHO DROPPED BY! MY FRIENDS THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS!!
HI!!!
WHOA! DEJA VU DELUXE!

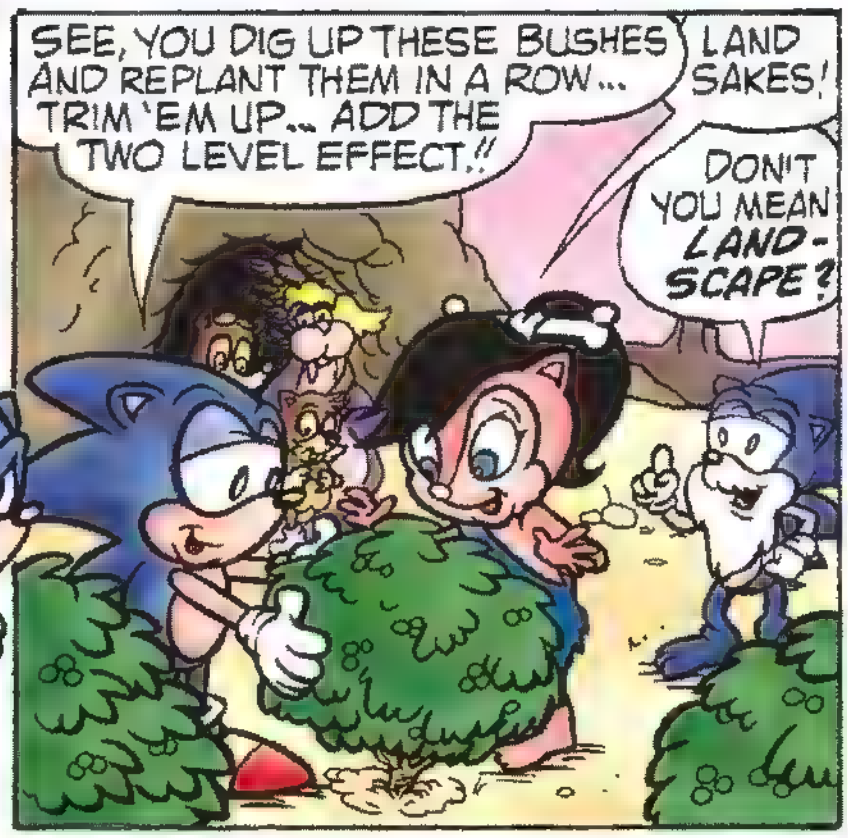
HEY, WHY DOESN'T THE WHOLE GROUP OF US GO OUTSIDE AND SPIN FOR SOME TAKE-OUT!!
SHRIEK!
GULP!

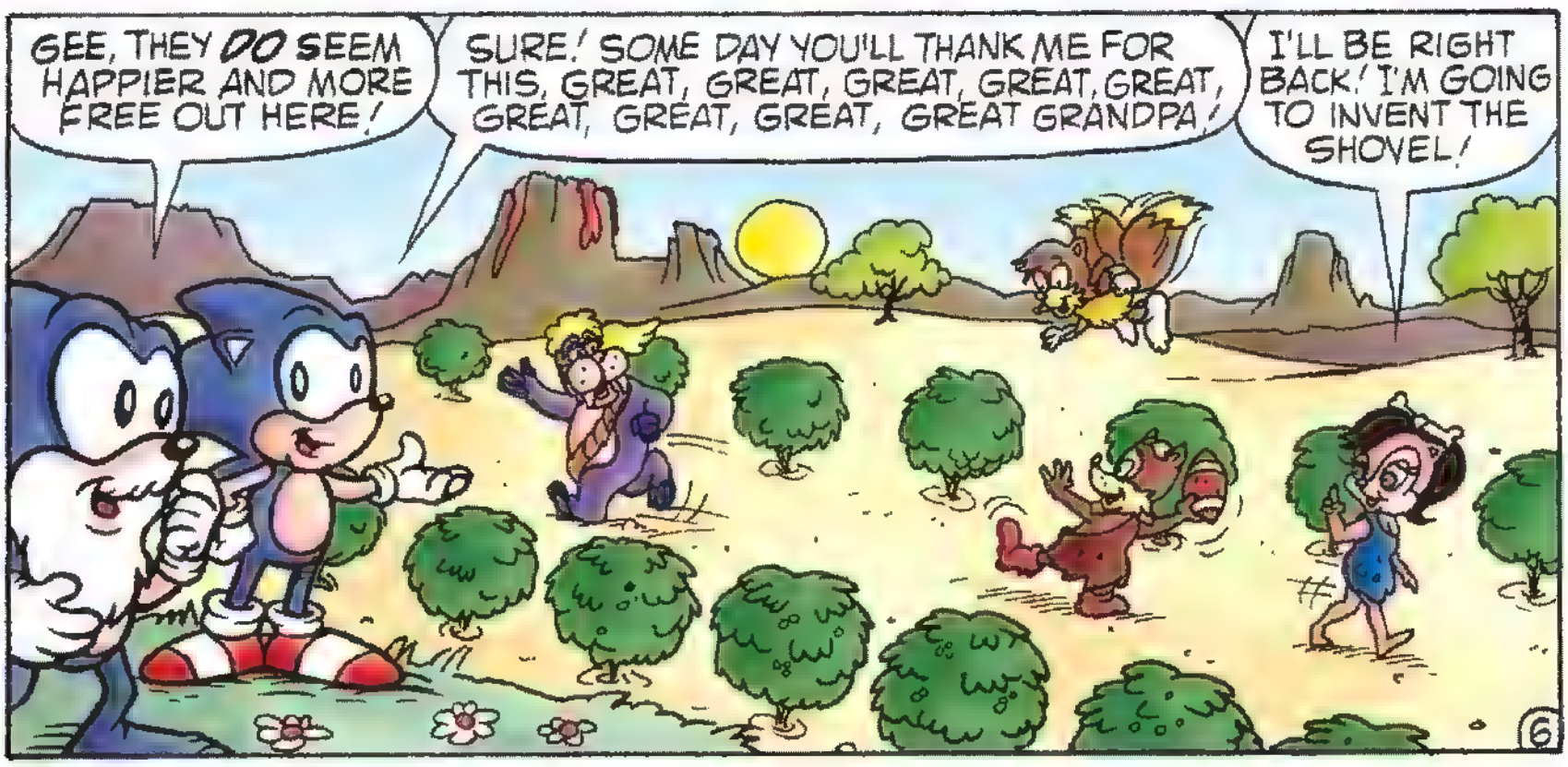
EASY ON THE "OUTSIDE," SONIC! WE DON'T GO "THERE"--IN FACT, WE'RE PLANNING ON BURROWING FURTHER UNDERGROUND!
SHUDDER! WHIMPER! TREMBLE!
WHAT?

YOU CAN'T DO THAT! YOU ARE MY ANCESTOR! YOU'VE GOTTA LIVE ON THE SURFACE... IN THE SUNSHINE AND FRESH AIR... OTHERWISE, I'LL EVOLVE INTO "SONIC THE MOLE"!
BONK!


BUT IT'S DANGEROUS UP THERE! DINOSAURS! ROBUGHNIK!!
YOU'LL ADAPT! USE YOUR BRAINS! HIDE IN THE HEDGES!
THE WHAT?!

OH, THAT'S RIGHT--YOU DON'T *HAVE* HEDGES YET!... ALLOW ME TO SHOW YOU, SAL-UGH!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
WAIT!!


SEE, YOU DIG UP THESE BUSHES AND REPLANT THEM IN A ROW... TRIM 'EM UP... ADD THE TWO LEVEL EFFECT!!
LAND SAKES!
DON'T YOU MEAN *LAND-SCAPE*?


GEE, THEY *DO* SEEM HAPPIER AND MORE FREE OUT HERE!
SURE! SOME DAY YOU'LL THANK ME FOR THIS, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT, GREAT GRANDPA!
I'LL BE RIGHT BACK! I'M GOING TO INVENT THE SHOVEL!

WE'LL DO IT! LIKE YOU SAID... ADAPT!! USE OUR GRAINS!!

NO -- YOUR BRAINS!! WHOA!!

HOW RUDE! EAT, DISINTEGRATE AND RUN!

YEE-HA! I'M WHITE-WATER RAFTING DOWN THE TIMESTREAM!!

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WHOOF!

I GOTTA TALK TO THE BOSS ABOUT A STUNT DOUBLE!

SHOOOO

SPLAT!

SALLY! TAILS! ROTOR! HOW DID I GET BACK HERE?

THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS RAIDED ROBOTNIK'S HEAD-QUARTERS!

WE SWIPED HIS TIME MACHINE, AND BROUGHT YOU HOME!!

JUST THEN, BACK IN THE STONE AGE...

HMMM... NO... I THINK I LIKED THEM BETTER OVER THERE!

(HUFF! PUFF!) I WISH SONIC WOULD COME BACK... (WHEEZE) SO I COULD PERSONALLY THANK HIM... ...GRRR!

HEY, WE'D LIKE THAT ZANY SONIC TO COME BACK TOO! I'D HEDGE ANY BETS THAT YOU'D LIKE THAT TOO!

IF SO, CHISEL... UH... WRITE A LETTER TO "SONIC-GRAMS"!

THE END

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG™ in THE BOLD-HEADED EAGLE

ZOOM!

UH-OH! MAYBE TAKING A SHORTCUT THROUGH THE MOUNTAINS WASN'T SUCH A HOT IDEA! ... I *RAN OUT* OF *ROAD!*

IF I COULD JUST GRAB ONTO SOMETHING... *OW!...*

BAM!

... BUT THE CLIFF IS TOO SHEER... AS IN *SHEER TERROR!* OW!

BAM!

HELP!!

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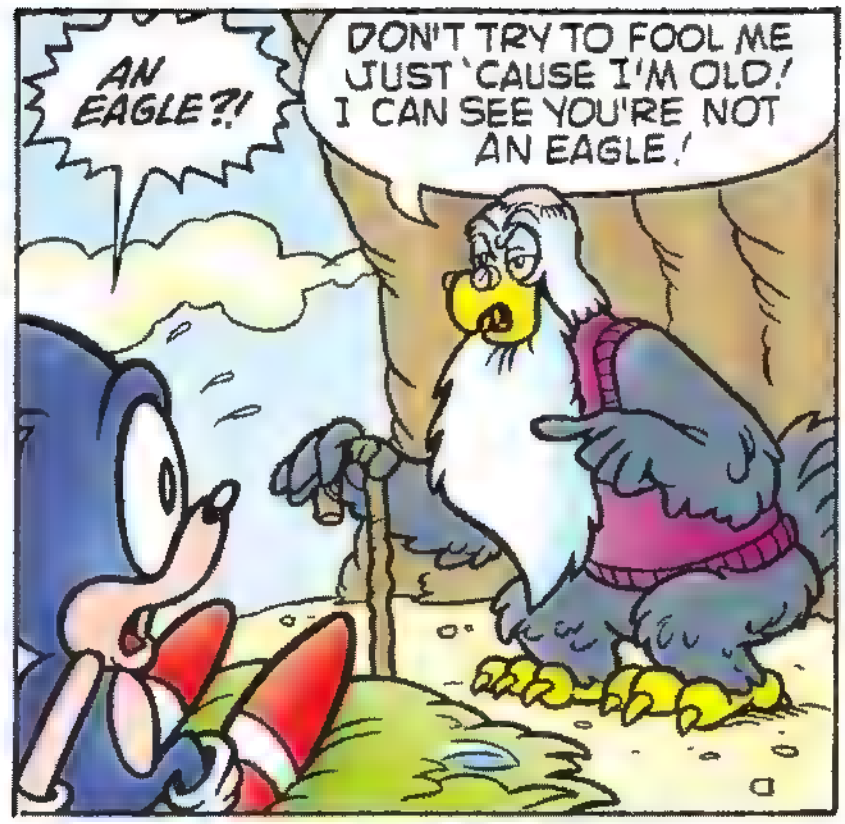
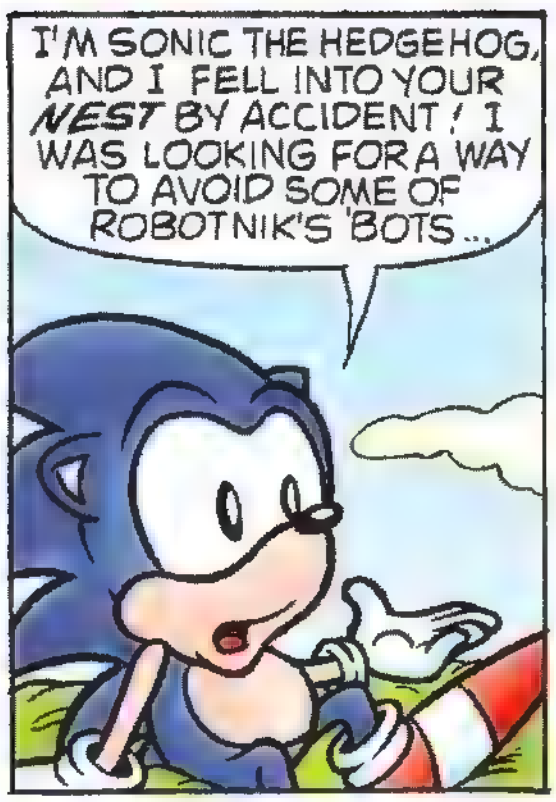
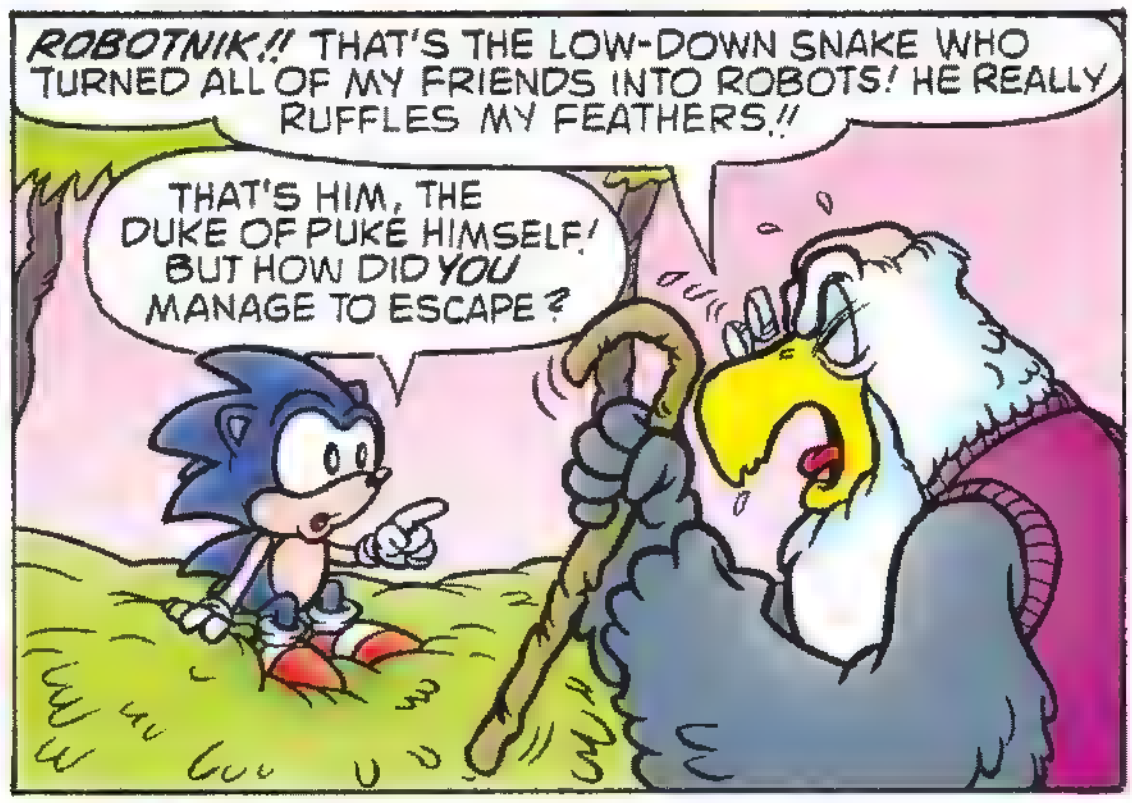
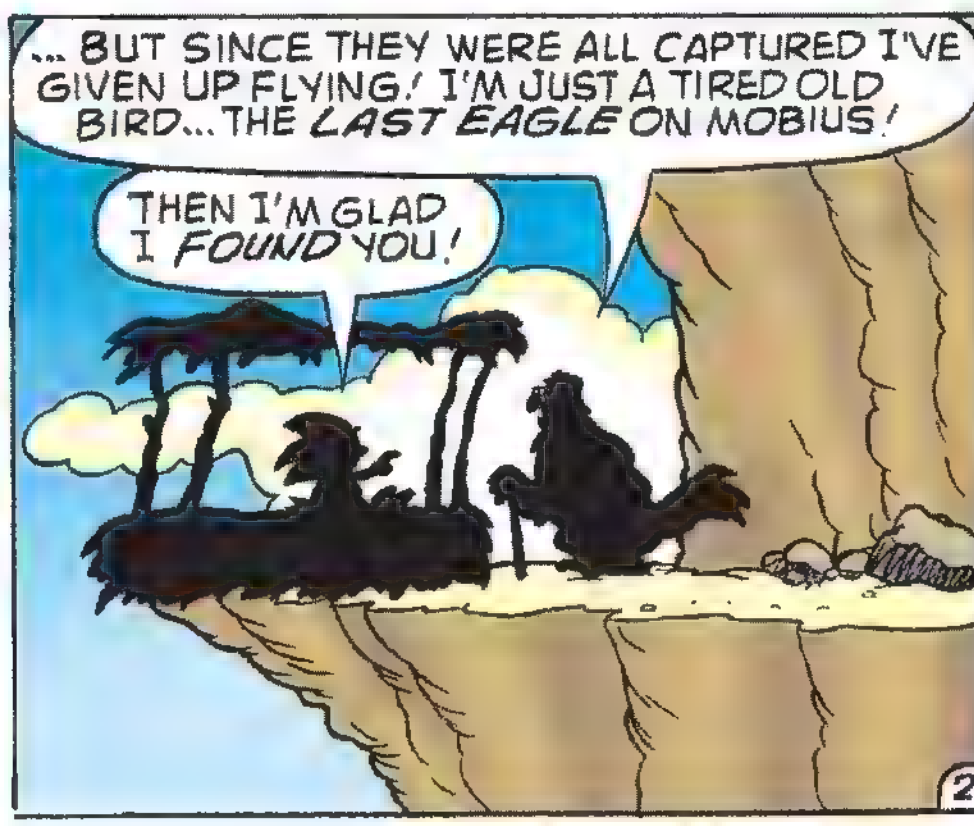
WHOA... WH-WHERE AM I? THIS ISN'T HOW I PICTURED HEDGEHOG HEAVEN TO LOOK!
WHO ARE YOU, STRANGER?

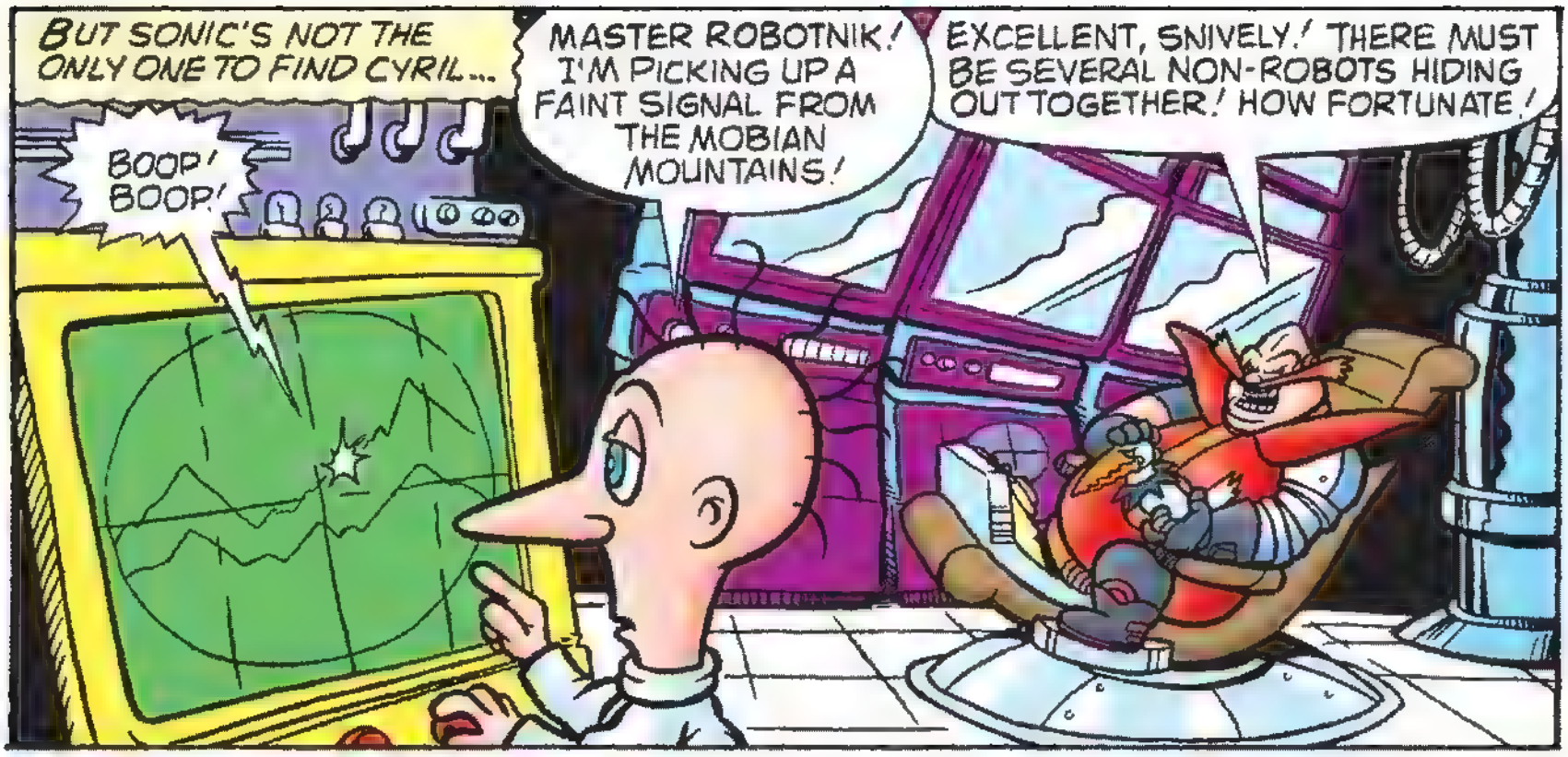

AN EAGLE?!
DON'T TRY TO FOOL ME JUST 'CAUSE I'M OLD! I CAN SEE YOU'RE NOT AN EAGLE!

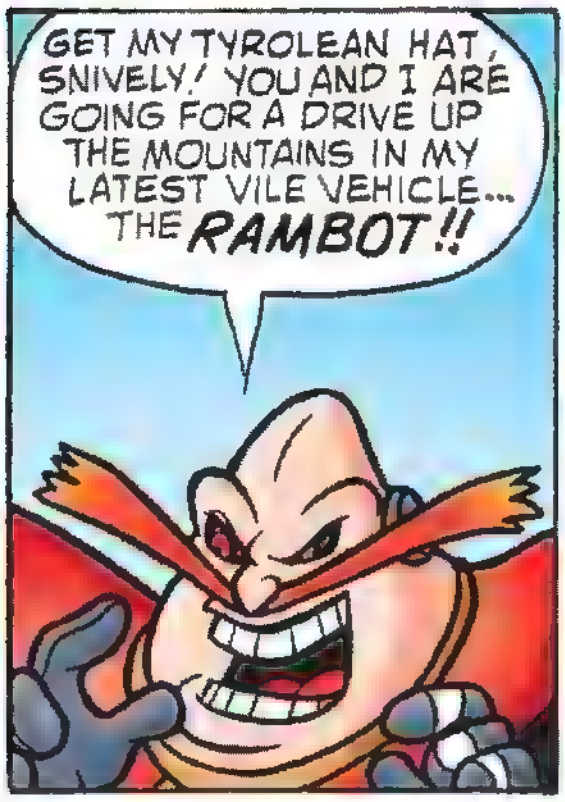

I'M SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, AND I FELL INTO YOUR NEST BY ACCIDENT! I WAS LOOKING FOR A WAY TO AVOID SOME OF ROBOTNIK'S 'BOTS...


ROBOTNIK!! THAT'S THE LOW-DOWN SNAKE WHO TURNED ALL OF MY FRIENDS INTO ROBOTS! HE REALLY RUFFLES MY FEATHERS!!
THAT'S HIM, THE DUKE OF PUKE HIMSELF! BUT HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO ESCAPE?

BY HIDING OUT IN THE MOUNTAINS, LIKE A BIRD-BRAINED COWARD! ... THE NAME'S CYRIL, AND I WAS ONCE THE LEADER OF A LARGE FLOCK...


... BUT SINCE THEY WERE ALL CAPTURED I'VE GIVEN UP FLYING! I'M JUST A TIRED OLD BIRD... THE LAST EAGLE ON MOBIUS!
THEN I'M GLAD I FOUND YOU!


BUT SONIC'S NOT THE ONLY ONE TO FIND CYRIL...
BOOP! BOOP!
MASTER ROBOTNIK! I'M PICKING UP A FAINT SIGNAL FROM THE MOBIAN MOUNTAINS!
EXCELLENT, SNIVELY! THERE MUST BE SEVERAL NON-ROBOTS HIDING OUT TOGETHER! HOW FORTUNATE!

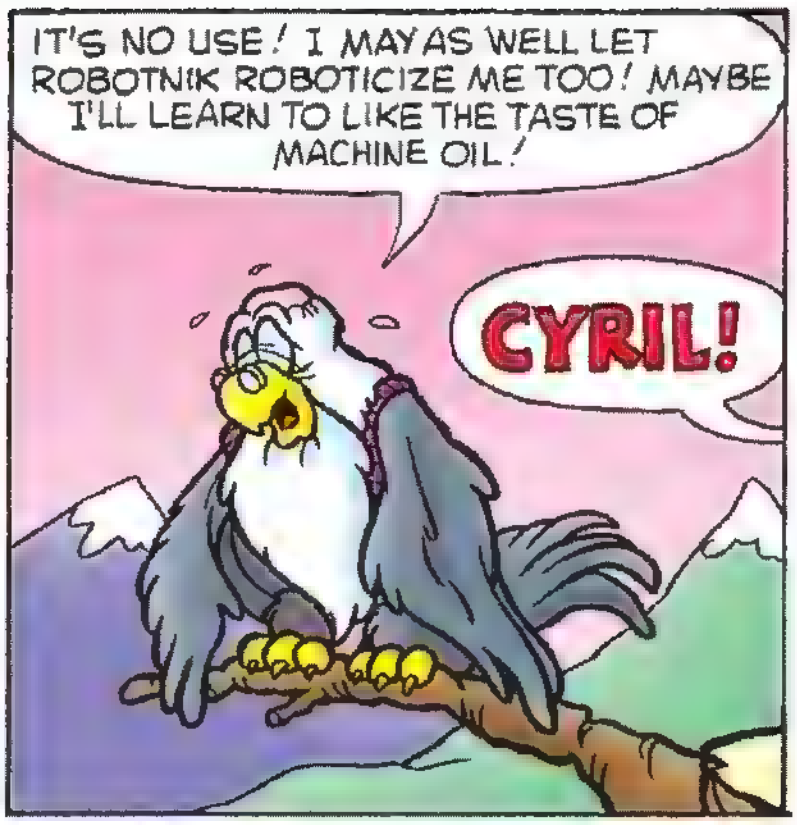

GET MY TYROLEAN HAT, SNIVELY! YOU AND I ARE GOING FOR A DRIVE UP THE MOUNTAINS IN MY LATEST VILE VEHICLE... THE RAMBOT!!

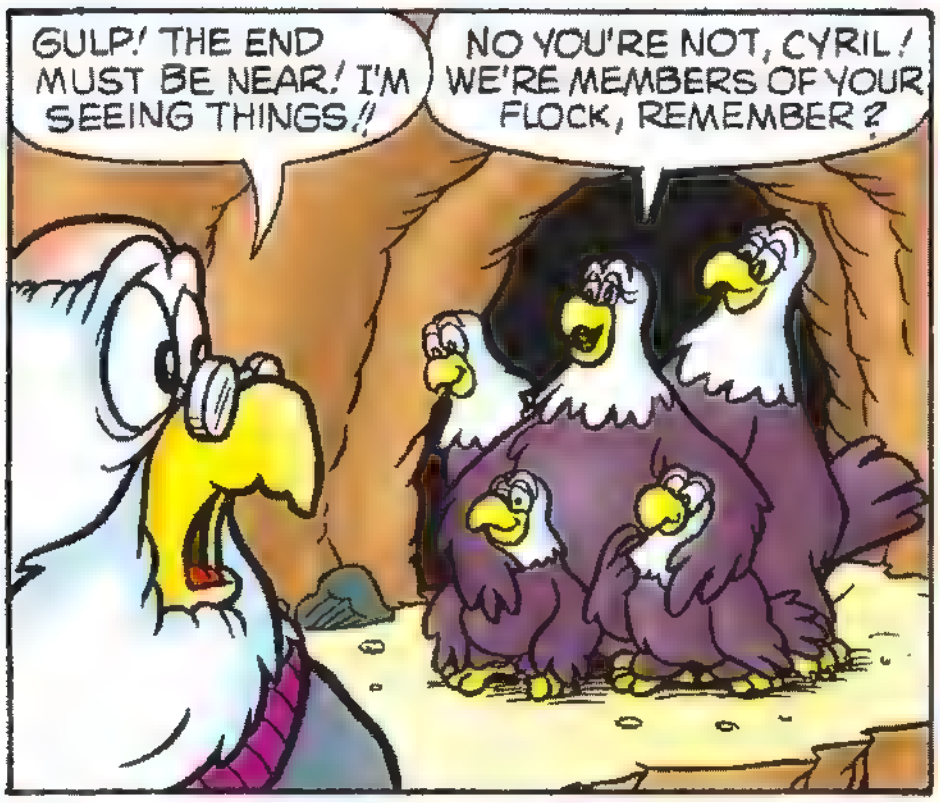
LATER...
YOU MAY BE OLD, CYRIL, BUT IT DOESN'T MEAN YOU SHOULD GIVE UP ON LIFE! YOU'VE GOT TO SPREAD YOUR WINGS AND FLY... THEN YOU'LL FEEL LIKE AN EAGLE AGAIN!
I FEEL MORE LIKE A MOBIAN CHICKEN, BUT I'LL TRY, SONIC! HERE GOES...

LOOK! I CAN STILL DO IT! I CAN FLY!
WAY TO GO, CYRIL!

I CAN...
EEEEEEE!!!
KEEP FLAPPING, CYRIL! KEEP FLAPPING!

SOON...
PUFF-PUFF! AT MY AGE, FLYING IS FOR THE BIRDS! I'VE GOT TO STOP AND REST!!


IT'S NO USE! I MAY AS WELL LET ROBOTNIK ROBOTICIZE ME TOO! MAYBE I'LL LEARN TO LIKE THE TASTE OF MACHINE OIL!
CYRIL!


GULP! THE END MUST BE NEAR! I'M SEEING THINGS!!
NO YOU'RE NOT, CYRIL! WE'RE MEMBERS OF YOUR FLOCK, REMEMBER?

WE'VE BEEN HIDING OUT FOR YEARS!
WE THOUGHT ROBOTNIK HAD CAPTURED YOU!
CAPTURE ME?! NEVER!

AND TO THINK I ALMOST GAVE UP! I OWE A GREAT DEAL TO THAT YOUNG HEDGEHOG!

MEANWHILE...
I SHOULD NEVER HAVE TALKED CYRIL INTO TESTING HIS WINGS! HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN SPOTTED BY A 'BOT...OR ROBOTNIK HIMSELF!
OH, I WOULDN'T WORRY ABOUT THAT...

YOU!

SURPRISE! I WOULD ADVISE YOU NOT TO MOVE A MUSCLE, HEDGEHOG, OR MY *RAMBOT* WILL GO ON A *RAM PAGE*! HAW, HAW, HAW! I'M SO WITTY!

EXCUSE ME, OH DELUDED ONE, BUT I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD...

QUIET, SNIVELY! NOW, TELL ME, HEDGEHOG, HOW MANY OF YOUR FRIENDS ARE HERE WITH YOU, AND WHERE CAN I FIND THEM?

FORGET IT!... AND DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE A LITTLE BIG FOR THAT *PINOCCHIO COSTUME*?

HOW *DARE* YOU INSULT ME! TAKE *THAT*, IMPUDENT FOOL!!

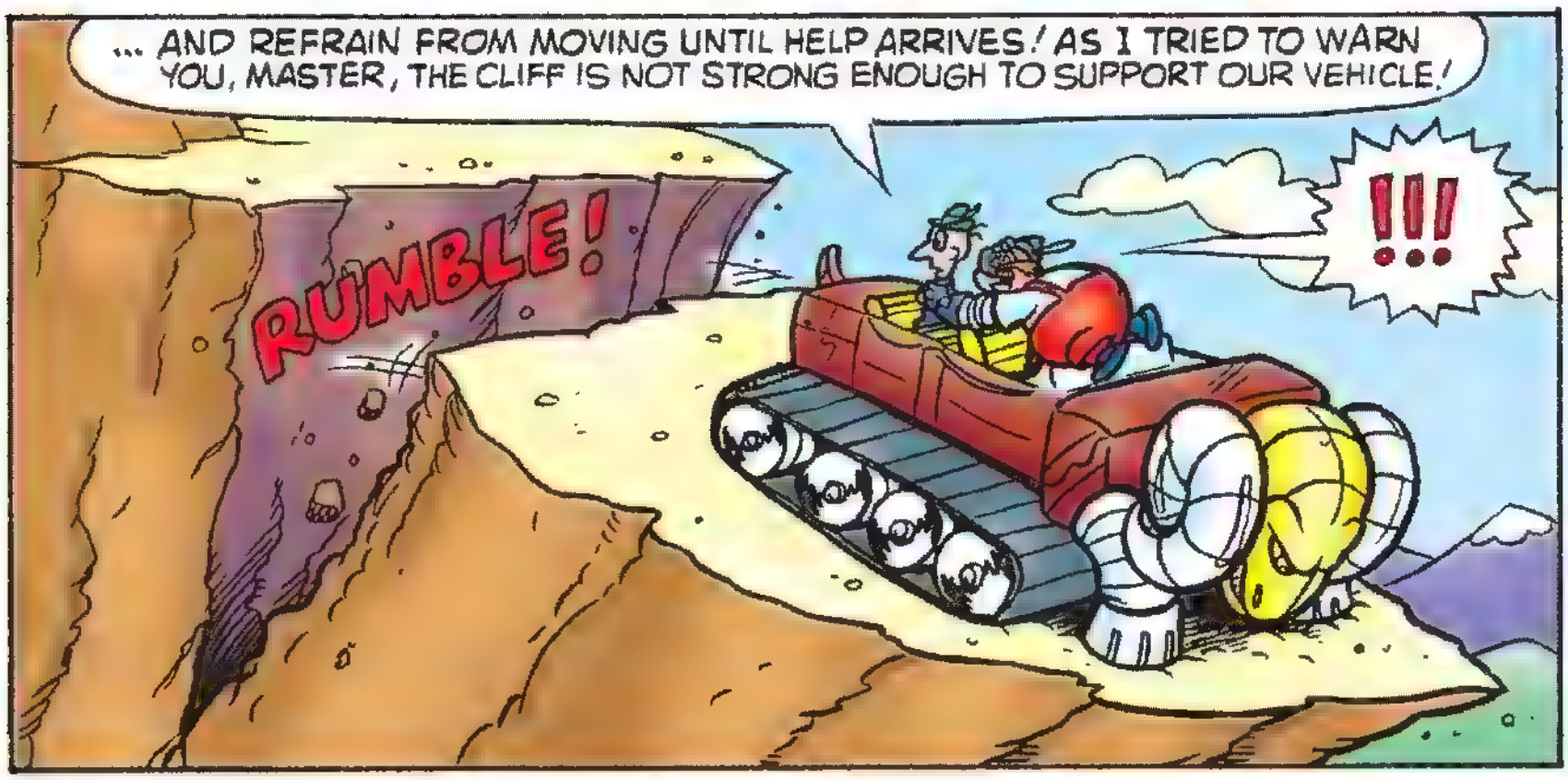
MASTER ROBOTNIK, I...

VROOM!!

SMASH!

DON'T WORRY, LITTLE SONIC! I'VE GOT YA!
CYRIL!

SNIVELY!! THE HEDGEHOG WAS RESCUED BY AN EAGLE!!
PLEASE DO NOT RAISE YOUR VOICE, MASTER!


... AND REFRAIN FROM MOVING UNTIL HELP ARRIVES! AS I TRIED TO WARN YOU, MASTER, THE CLIFF IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO SUPPORT OUR VEHICLE!
RUMBLE!
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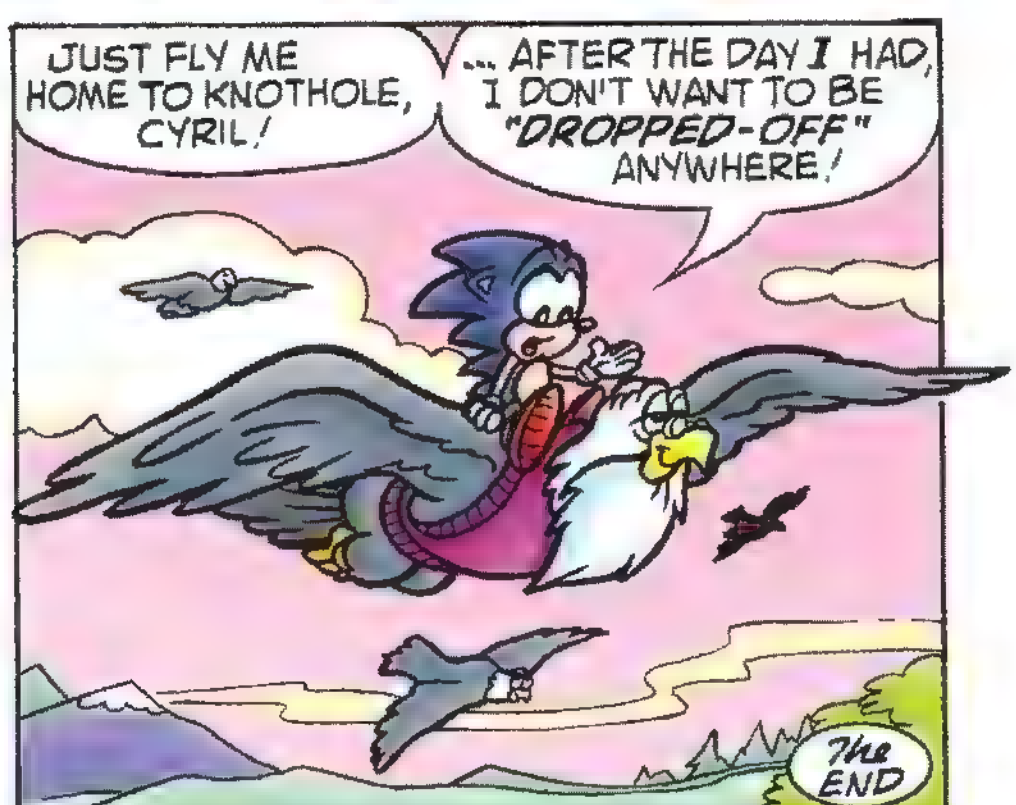
SOON...
I FEEL LIKE A NEW BIRD, SONIC, THANKS TO YOU! WHERE CAN I DROP YOU OFF?


JUST FLY ME HOME TO KNOTHOLE, CYRIL!
... AFTER THE DAY I HAD, I DON'T WANT TO BE "DROPPED-OFF" ANYWHERE!
The END

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG in THE LYNX IS A JINX!

I'VE GOT ONE... WHAT?!

SORRY, 'BOT-BUTTS! THESE ARE TWO ANIMALS THAT YOU'RE *NOT* GOING TO TURN INTO ROBOTS!

THE HEDGEHOG!!

VROOM!

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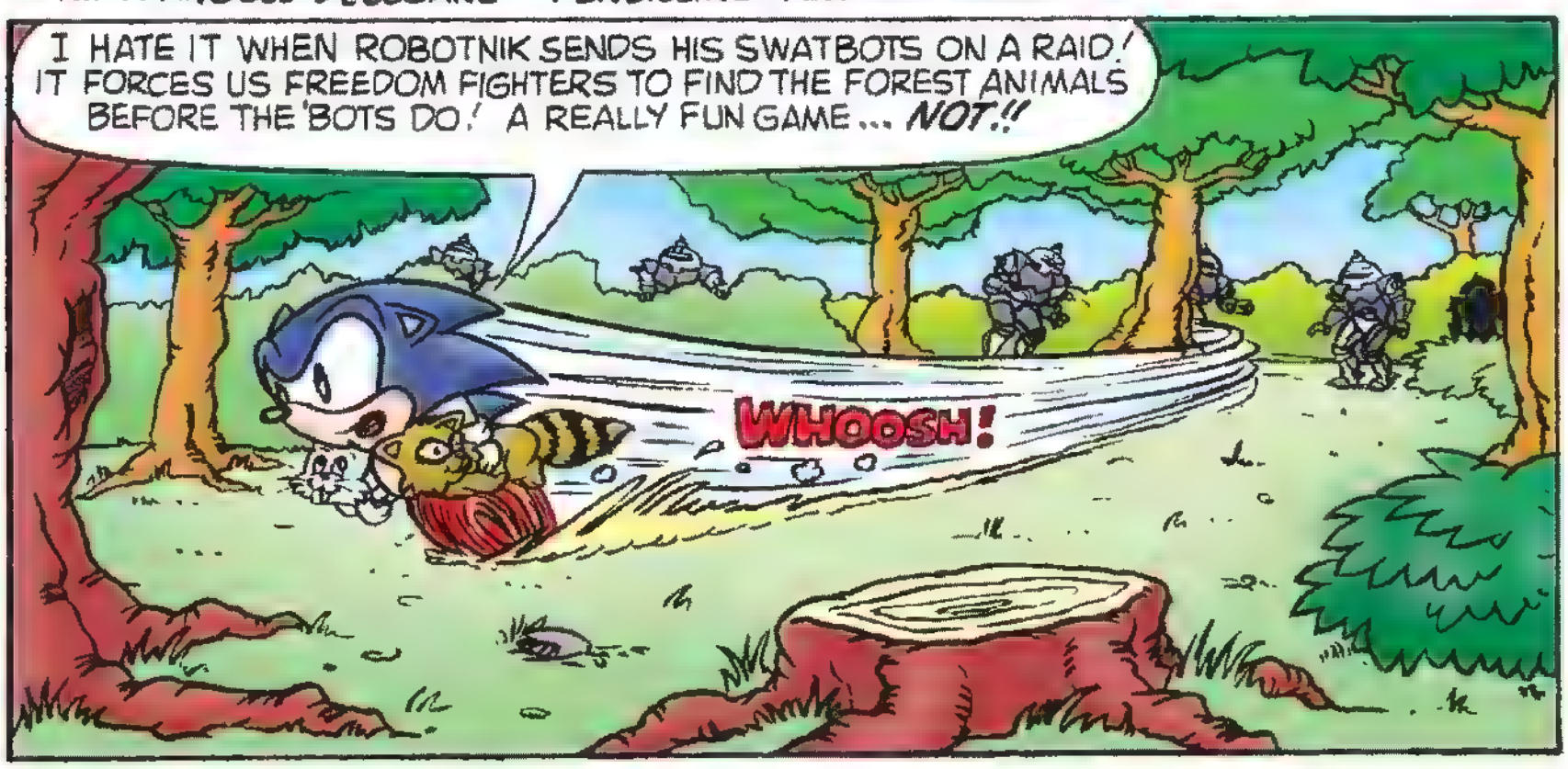
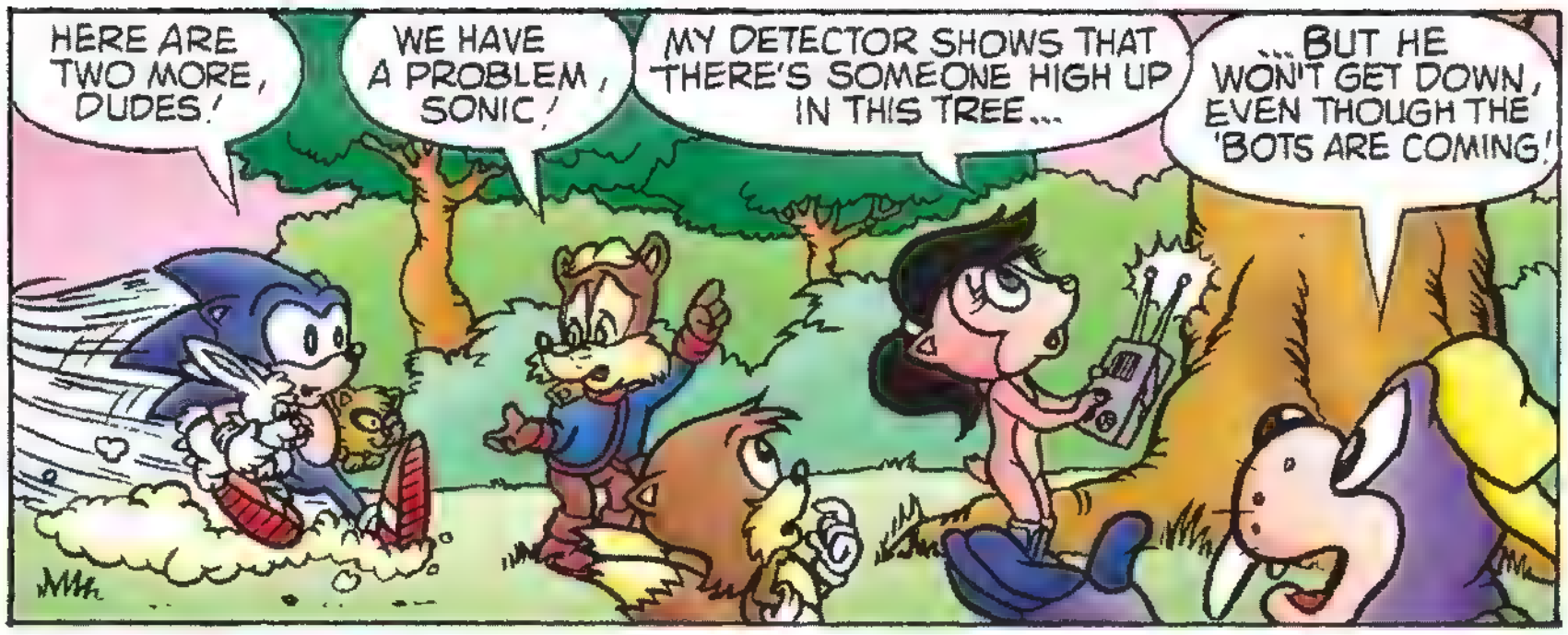
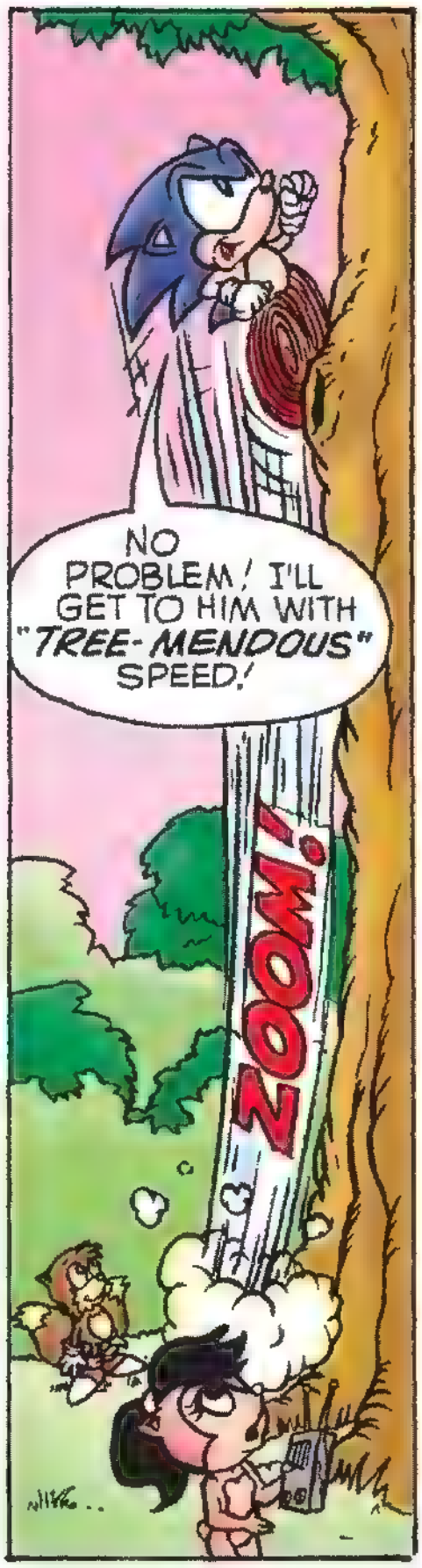
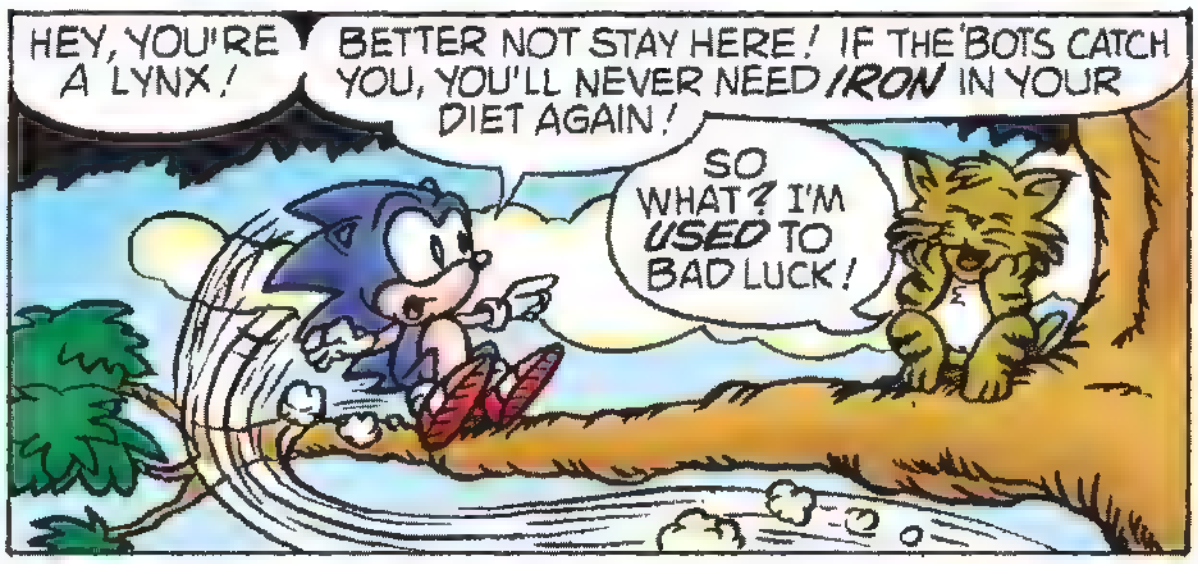



HERE ARE TWO MORE, DUDES!
WE HAVE A PROBLEM, SONIC!
MY DETECTOR SHOWS THAT THERE'S SOMEONE HIGH UP IN THIS TREE...
...BUT HE WON'T GET DOWN, EVEN THOUGH THE 'BOTS ARE COMING!


NO PROBLEM! I'LL GET TO HIM WITH "TREE-MENDOUS" SPEED!
ZOOM!


HEY, YOU'RE A LYNX!
BETTER NOT STAY HERE! IF THE 'BOTS CATCH YOU, YOU'LL NEVER NEED IRON IN YOUR DIET AGAIN!
SO WHAT? I'M USED TO BAD LUCK!

I'M LARRY LYNX--SUPER JINX! I BRING MISFORTUNE TO EVERYONE I COME IN CONTACT WITH!
THAT'S RIDICULOUS! YOU'RE COMING BACK TO KNOTHOLE WITH US AND...WHAT'S THAT NOISE?
CRACK!

THE TREE BRANCH JUST BROKE OFF!
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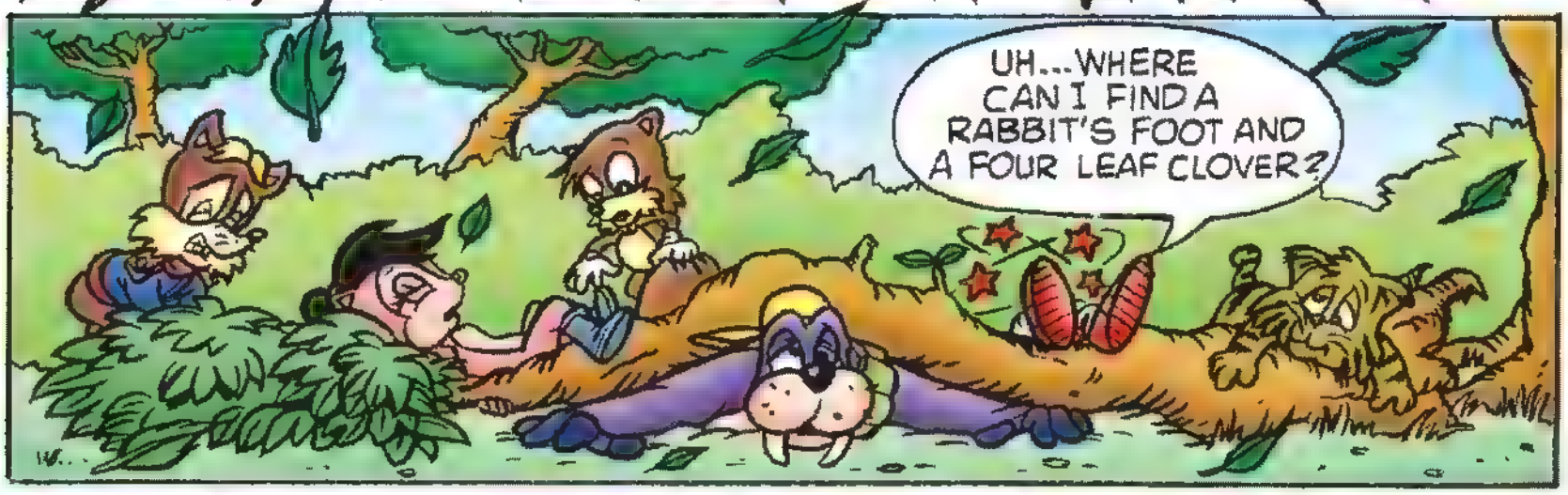
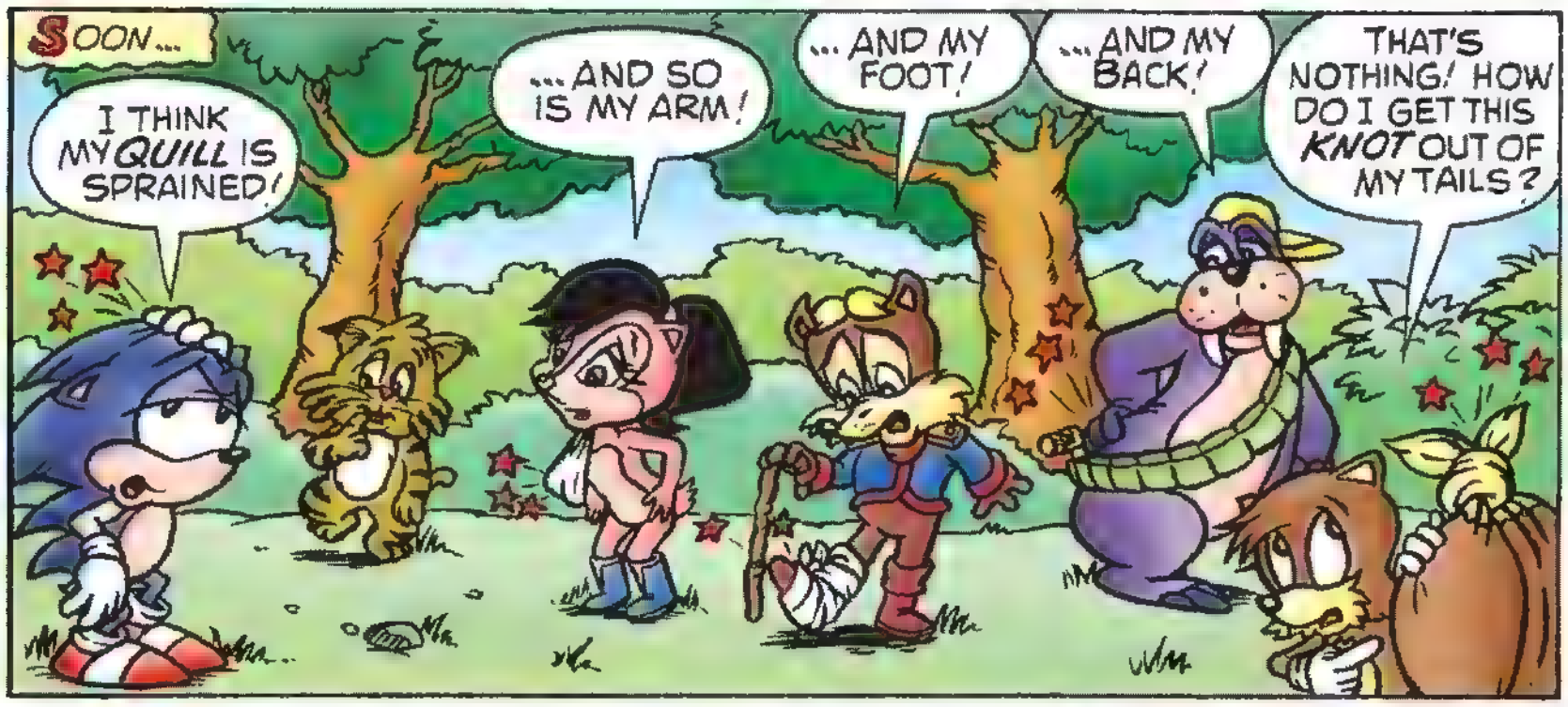
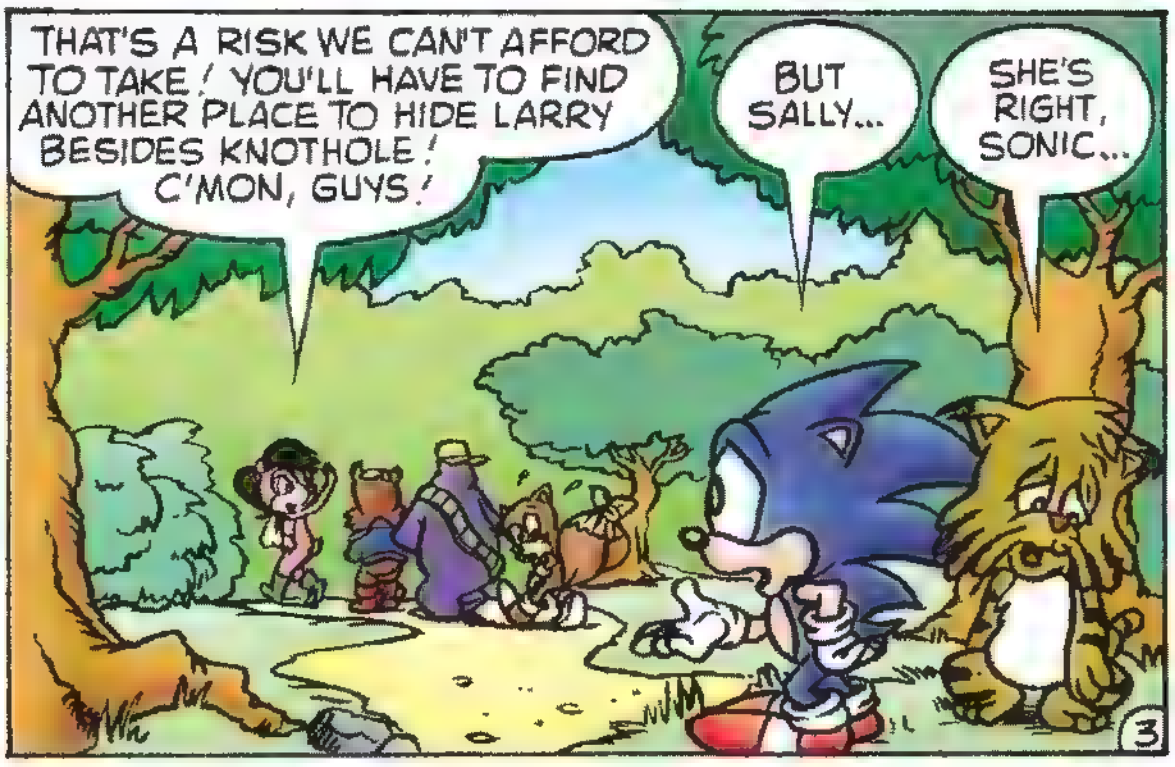
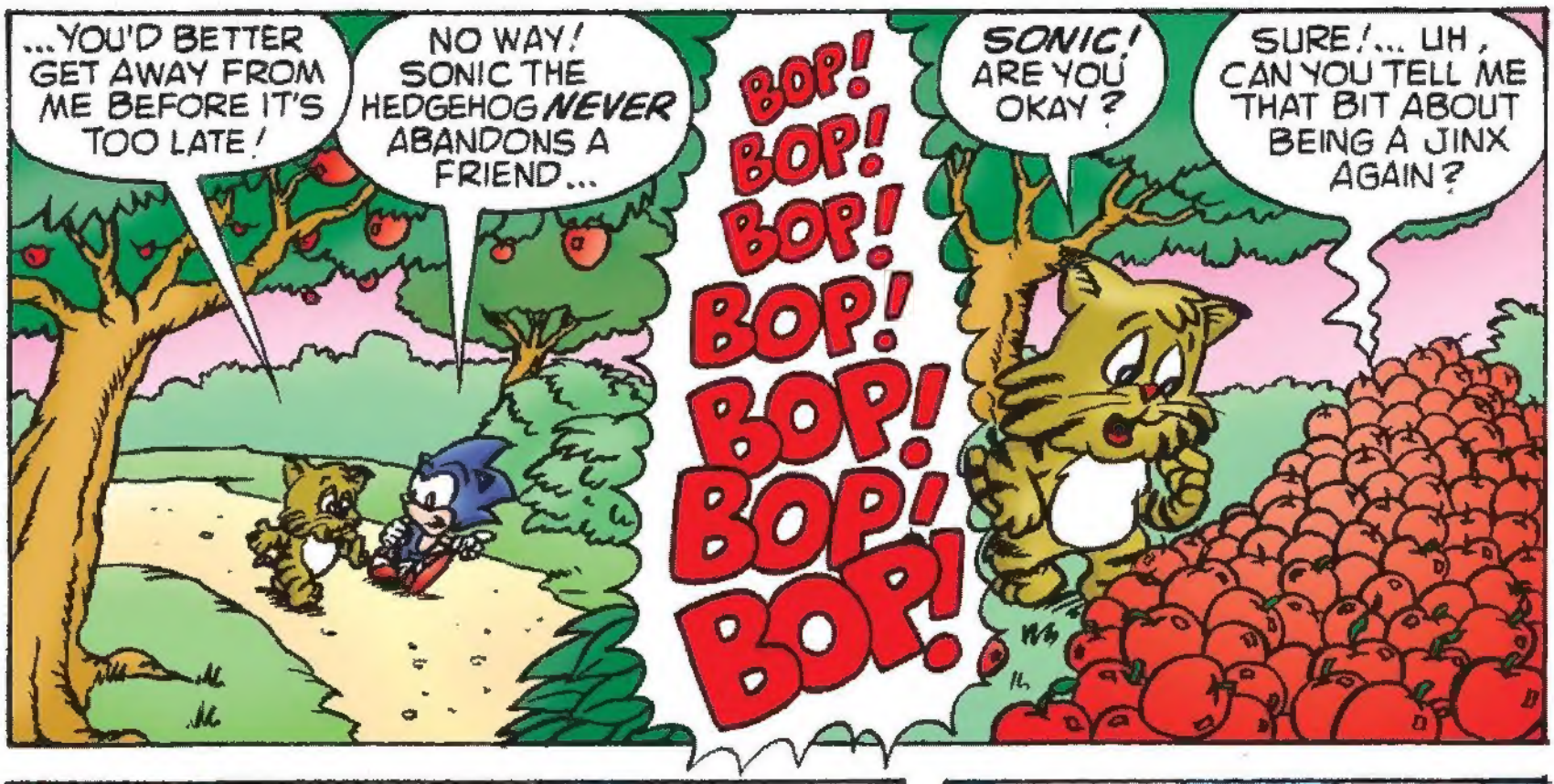
CRASH!


UH...WHERE CAN I FIND A RABBIT'S FOOT AND A FOUR LEAF CLOVER?


SOON...
I THINK MY QUILL IS SPRAINED!
...AND SO IS MY ARM!
...AND MY FOOT!
...AND MY BACK!
THAT'S NOTHING! HOW DO I GET THIS KNOT OUT OF MY TAILS?

I'M SORRY, SONIC! I'D LIKE TO BE FAIR! BUT IF LARRY IS A JINX, HE COULD CAUSE A DISASTER THAT WOULD MEAN THE END OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS!

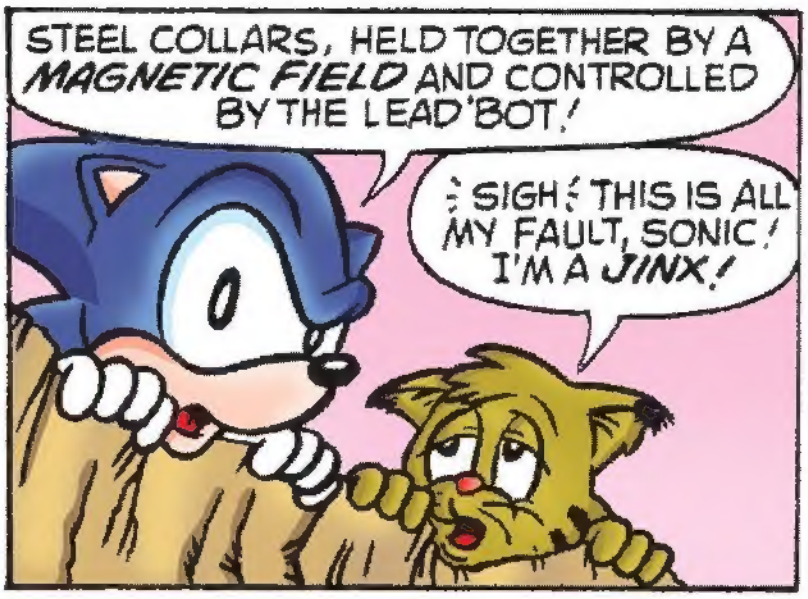

THAT'S A RISK WE CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE! YOU'LL HAVE TO FIND ANOTHER PLACE TO HIDE LARRY BESIDES KNOTHOLE! C'MON, GUYS!
BUT SALLY...
SHE'S RIGHT, SONIC...

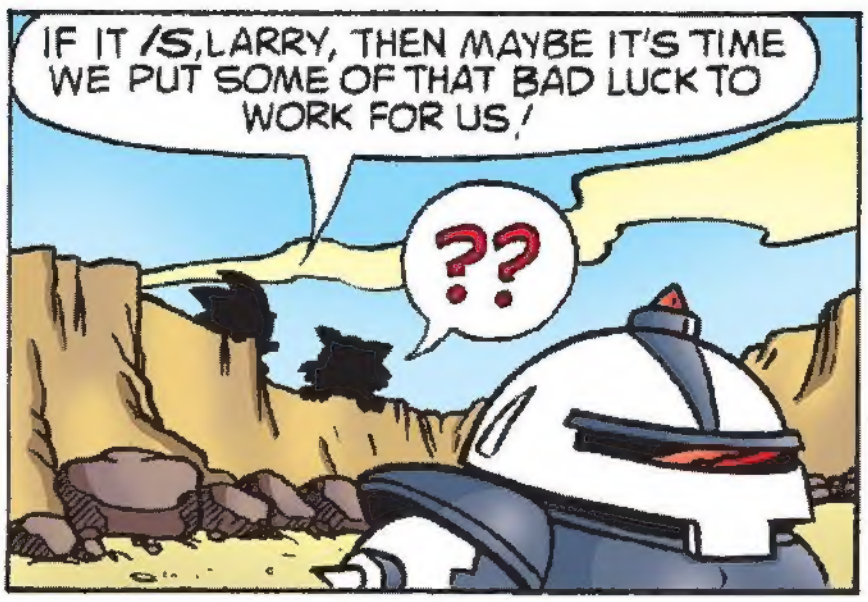

...YOU'D BETTER GET AWAY FROM ME BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!
NO WAY! SONIC THE HEDGEHOG NEVER ABANDONS A FRIEND...
BOP! BOP! BOP! BOP! BOP! BOP! BOP!
SONIC! ARE YOU OKAY?
SURE!... UH, CAN YOU TELL ME THAT BIT ABOUT BEING A JINX AGAIN?

LATER...
WHAT YOU NEED IS SOME GOOD LUCK TO BREAK YOUR BAD LUCK STREAK, LARRY!
... AND WE'LL START BY FINDING YOU A SAFE PLACE TO LIVE, LIKE A CAVE!

SONIC, LOOK!!
OH NO!

KEEP MOVING, FREEDOM FIGHTERS!
MASTER ROBOTNIK IS ON HIS WAY TO CONGRATULATE US AND TO MEET HIS FUTURE SLAVES!!
THE SWATBOTS HAVE CAPTURED SALLY AND THE GANG! THEY'RE TAKING THEM BACK TO ROBOTROPOLIS TO BE ROBOTICIZED!!
WHAT ARE THEY WEARING AROUND THEIR NECKS, SONIC?


STEEL COLLARS, HELD TOGETHER BY A MAGNETIC FIELD AND CONTROLLED BY THE LEAD 'BOT!
SIGH! THIS IS ALL MY FAULT, SONIC! I'M A JINX!


IF IT IS, LARRY, THEN MAYBE IT'S TIME WE PUT SOME OF THAT BAD LUCK TO WORK FOR US!
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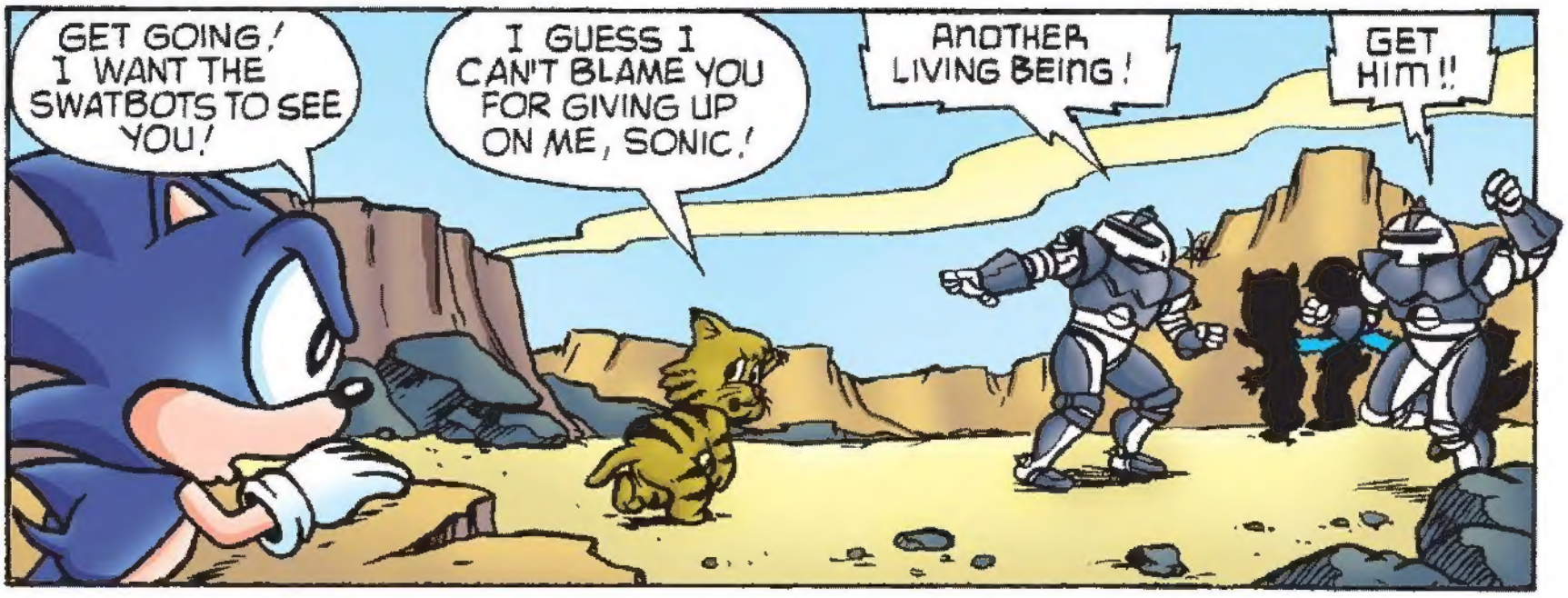
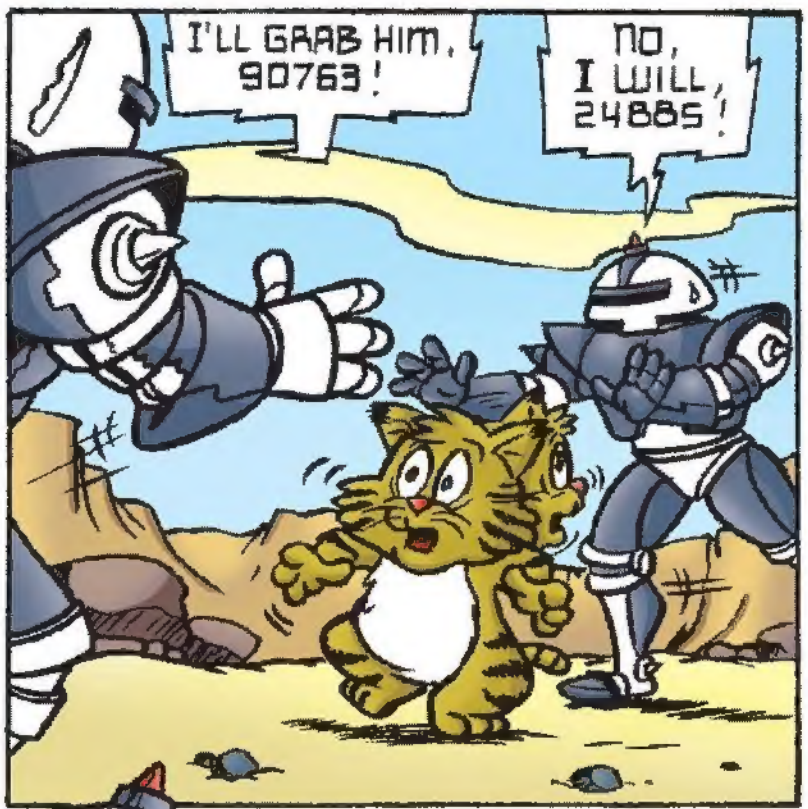
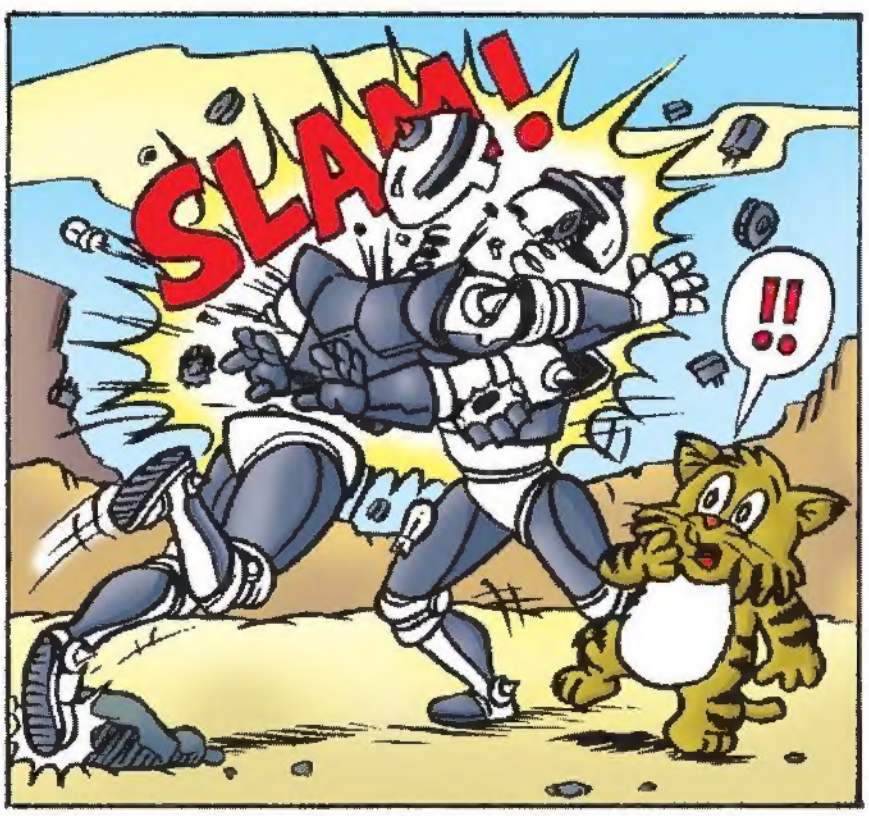

GET GOING! I WANT THE SWATBOTS TO SEE YOU!
I GUESS I CAN'T BLAME YOU FOR GIVING UP ON ME, SONIC!
ANOTHER LIVING BEING!
GET HIM!!


I'LL GRAB HIM, 90763!
NO, I WILL, 24885!


SLAM!
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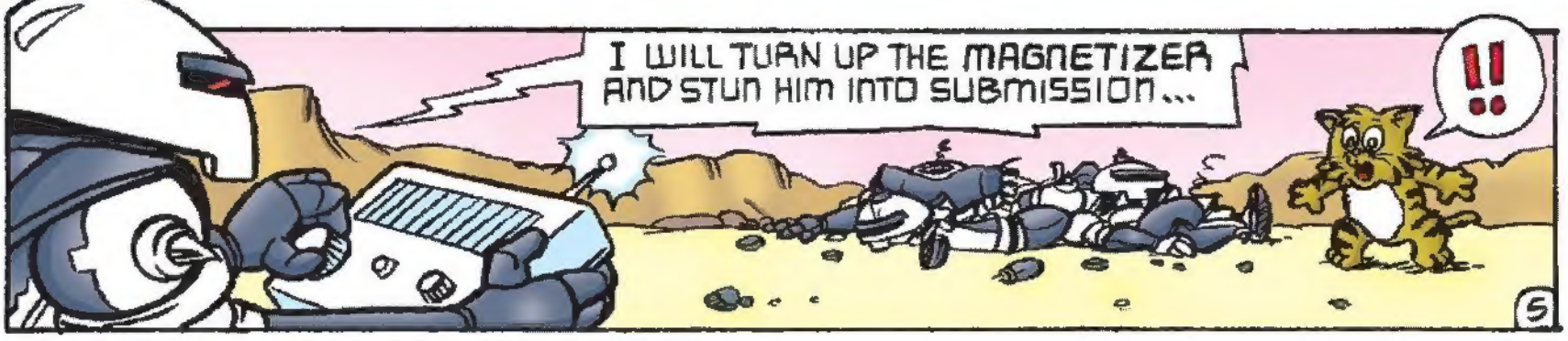
I WILL TURN UP THE MAGNETIZER AND STUN HIM INTO SUBMISSION...
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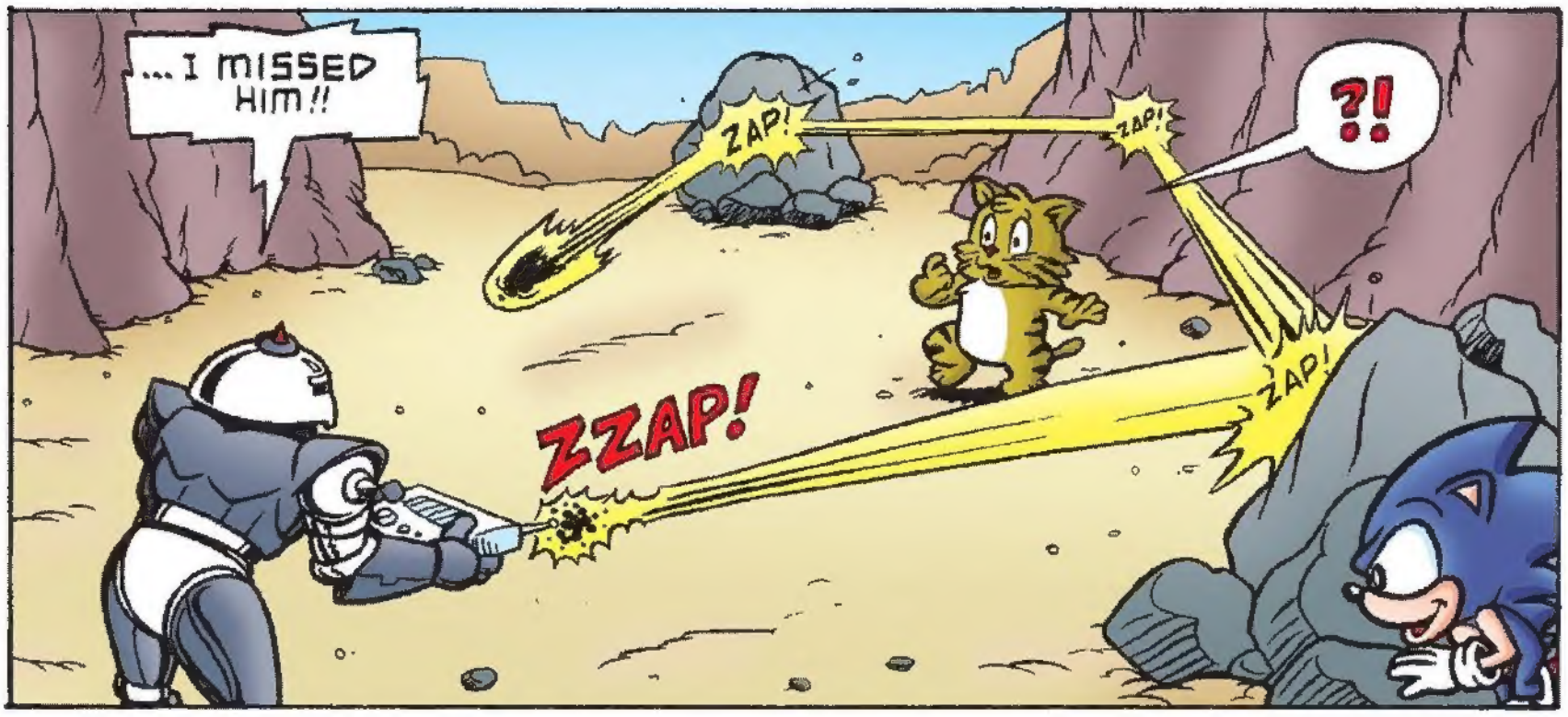
...I MISSED HIM!!
ZAP!
ZAP!
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ZZAP!
ZAP!

FZZAP!!
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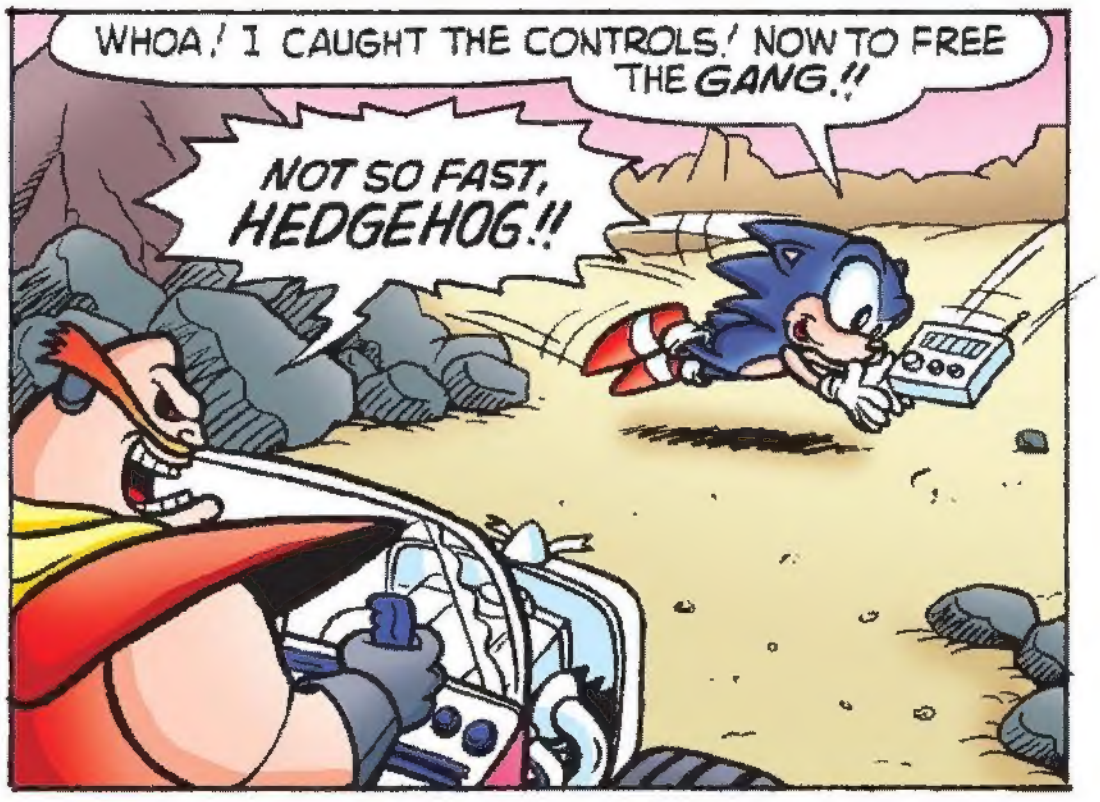
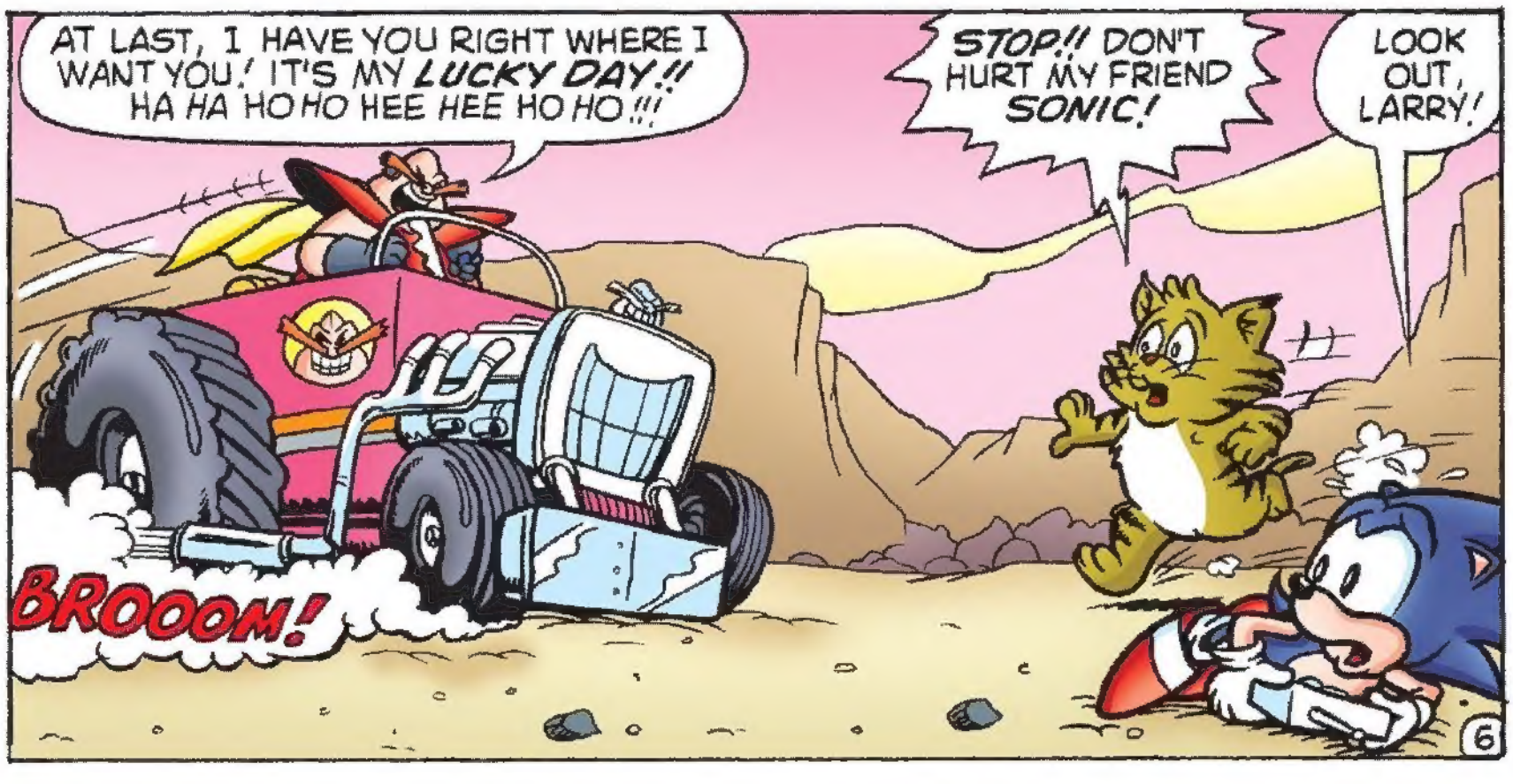
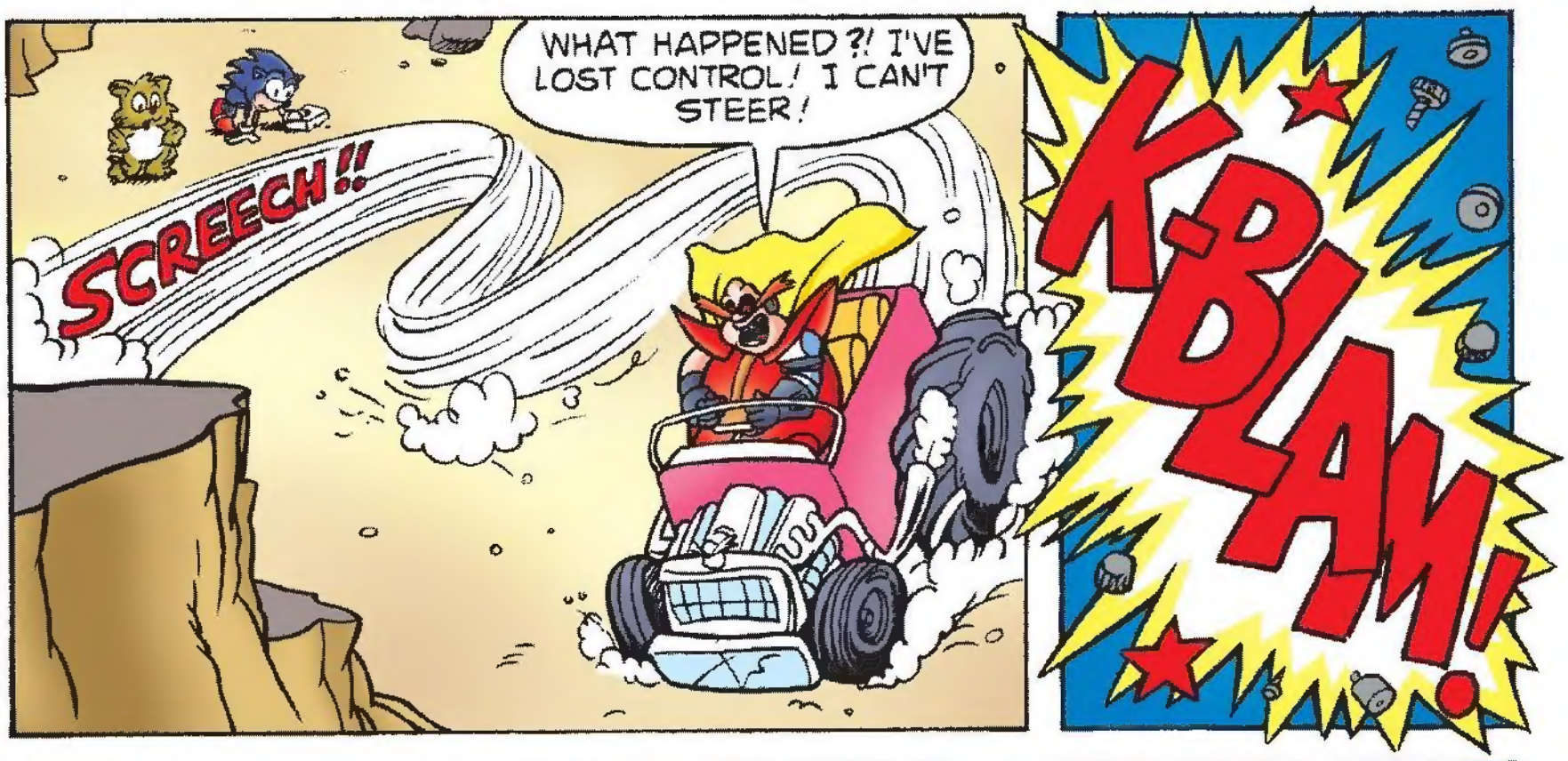
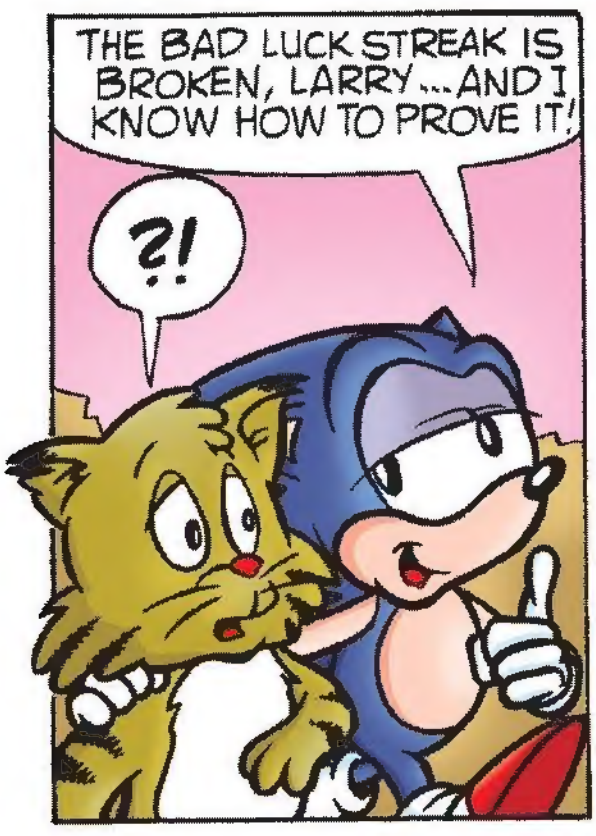

WHOA! I CAUGHT THE CONTROLS! NOW TO FREE THE GANG!!
NOT SO FAST, HEDGEHOG!!


AT LAST, I HAVE YOU RIGHT WHERE I WANT YOU! IT'S MY LUCKY DAY!! HA HA HO HO HEE HEE HO HO!!!
STOP!! DON'T HURT MY FRIEND SONIC!
LOOK OUT, LARRY!
BROOOM!


WHAT HAPPENED?! I'VE LOST CONTROL! I CAN'T STEER!
SCREECH!!
K-BLAM!

I HATE THAT HEDGEHOG, AND THAT LYNX, TOO!!
MY PLAN WORKED, LARRY! I KNEW THAT SOONER OR LATER YOUR BAD LUCK WOULD BRING SOMEONE ELSE GOOD LUCK!
...NAMELY, US!!


THE BAD LUCK STREAK IS BROKEN, LARRY...AND I KNOW HOW TO PROVE IT!
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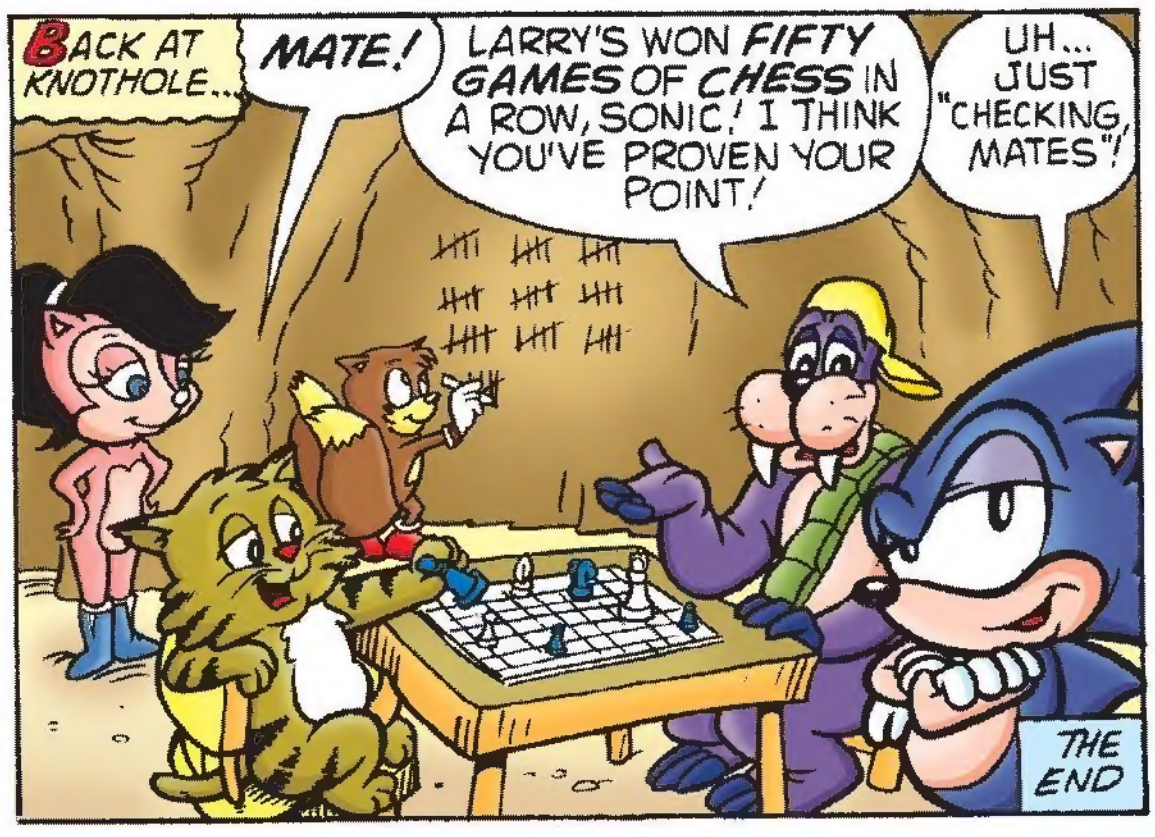
BACK AT KNOTHOLE...
MATE!
LARRY'S WON FIFTY GAMES OF CHESS IN A ROW, SONIC! I THINK YOU'VE PROVEN YOUR POINT!
UH... JUST "CHECKING, MATES"!
THE END